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Thursday, March 3, 1994

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Commissioners approve landfill plan

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners unanimously approved a resolution Monday, designating the landfill in Maple Forest Township, owned and operated by City Environmental Services of Waters Inc. (CESW), to be the primary solid waste disposal site for a total of 26 counties.

B.J. Fowler, chair of the Special Committee for the Landfill, asked board members to recess their regular meeting on Feb. 23, so the committee could complete negotiations with CESW. The board voted on the issue when the meeting reconvened on Monday, Feb. 28.

In December 1993, CESW had notified the board of commissioners it

believed the county was in violation of the sales agreement, relating to the landfill, by not allowing eight additional counties to be included in using the landfill. The company announced it would seek litigation to rescind the sales agreement, which could have cost Crawford County almost \$8 million.

As part of the agreement passed on Monday, City Environmental agreed to quit any legal action it may have taken against the county.

Counties which now designate the landfill as their primary solid waste disposal site include: Alcona, Alger, Alpena, Antrim, Arenac, Benzie,

Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Chippewa, Emmet, Gladwin, Grand Traverse, Iosco, Kalkaska, Luce, Mackinaw, Missaukee, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle, Roscommon, Schoolcraft and Wexford, if the approved solid waste management plan of each county authorizes disposal activity in Crawford County.

Manistee County, which was originally included in the plan, had earlier requested to be left out of the agreement.

"There is little or no question that Crawford County has a contractual obligation to cooperate with City Environmental and to amend the plan

to include additional counties," Fowler told board members, reading from a prepared statement.

"This doesn't mean in the future that City could not request more counties to be added," added George Alexander, a member of the special committee, "but they couldn't say you had to add them because of the sales agreement."

"I think our recommendation is to add those counties, and nothing else," he added.

Commissioners and committee members will be available to answer questions from residents, scheduling a public forum for Friday, March 4 at 7 p.m. at the County Building.

"We learned an awful lot," Alexander said. "Hopefully, some of what we learned could be passed on to the citizens of Crawford County. I don't think people's reaction would be so emotional or drastic if they knew what we have learned."

Dennis Long, chair of the county board, asked members of the special committee to consider if they would continue to serve as part of a county solid waste planning committee, now being planned under the direction of Commissioner William Coy.

"I would like you to assist Mr. Coy in his endeavors," Long told committee members. "It would be a very important step in formulating the committee."

PUBLIC FORUM

The Crawford County Commissioners will hold a public forum to discuss the new agreement with City Environmental Services of Waters. The forum will be held March 4th at 7 pm in the County Building.

GHS Band takes top honors

By Nancy Lemmen

Just two weeks after 25 members of the Grayling High School band all scored 1 ratings at the solo/ensemble festival, the entire band followed suit by scoring straight 1 ratings at the district band festival.

The Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association's (M.S.B.O.A.) District II Band Festival was held on Saturday, Feb. 26 at Central Elementary School in Traverse City.

For its 9:20 a.m. performance, under Director Dennis Ormsbee, the band chose *Marches des Parachutistes Belges* by Pierre Leemans, *Satiric Dances for a Comedy by Aristophanes* by Norman Dello Joio and *American Riversongs* by Pierre LaPlante. A sight reading exercise followed.

The band was evaluated by a panel of four judges, all of whom awarded

the band the highest ratings possible.

Two of the judges' comments included: "I enjoyed hearing you today. Strong points (include) general style and precision," and "You have many fine players. This is a nice selection for band! Generally a good performance. Well rehearsed."

The sight reading judge wrote, "Well informed band. Excellent instrumentation. Strong parent/friend following."

A fourth judge recorded comments on a tape.

The overall 1 ratings qualifies Grayling to perform at the M.S.B.O.A. state festival in April.

The GHS band presented a pre-festival concert with the Gaylord High School band on Thursday, Feb. 24, to a crowd that nearly filled the 400 seats in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium.

Upcoming events for the Grayling bands include:

A pre-festival concert by the 7th-8th grade bands (with the Michigan Technological University Concert Band) on Thursday, March 3, at 7 p.m. in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium.

Middle school band festival in Traverse City on Saturday, March 5.

High school state solo/ensemble festival on Saturday, March 26.

Middle school solo/ensemble festival in Saturday, April 16.

High school state band festival on Saturday, April 30.

"(We) would like to thank the many family members and friends who traveled to Traverse City for the performance," said Shelley Tober, assistant director. "(Their) continued support will help keep the fine musical tradition in Grayling."

Gypsy Moth spray program underway

Residents to get bills for pest control program in near future

Approximately 2,700 acres of forested land has been approved for spraying by the Michigan Department of Agriculture to prevent the spread of the Gypsy Moth in a cooperative control program, according to local officials.

"This year, the townships of Grayling, Lovells and Beaver Creek are the only areas in the county sponsored by the Gypsy Moth Control Program," stated Howard Taylor,

coordinator for the program in Crawford County. "Frederic, Maple Forest and South Branch townships elected not to participate in the program."

Residents now scheduled to participate in the program will receive a bill for the portion of the spray project in the near future. A deadline will be established and payments must be received by the due date, according to Taylor.

"Spray blocks for which enough

money has been generated to cover the cost of spraying will be treated," Taylor stated. "Blocks which do not generate enough money will be dropped from the program."

Maps of the areas to be sprayed are available for viewing at the Crawford County Building and participating township offices. Residents in areas not scheduled to be treated and wishing to join in the Gypsy Moth program, or those seeking additional information, may contact Taylor at 348-5187.

Deadline for homestead exemption extended to May 1

The possibility of an extension to May 1 for filing the homestead exemption affidavit forms, on which homeowners declare their primary residence, is waiting for Gov. John Engler's signature.

Homeowners are required to file the form with the township or city office in which they reside to make sure they are eligible for millage reductions specified in the March 15 ballot or

statutory plans. The original deadline for filing was March 1.

Engler recently issued Executive Directive 1994-4, extending the deadline to May 1 under the ballot proposal. The deadline extension had to pass both the state House and Senate, and be signed by the governor, under the statutory plan, according to staff members of state Sen. John Pridnia, R-Hubbard Lake.

An assistant to Pridnia said the

Senate passed the extension on Tuesday. The House had passed a similar bill, HB 5340, on Feb. 22. The bill now only needs Engler's signature.

"The bill was enrolled today in the House and is awaiting the governor's signature," said state Rep. Allen Lowe, R-Grayling, on Tuesday. "It's a done deal."

The extension will be enacted on a retroactive basis, so residents will not be considered late in filing the form.

State lawmakers concerned for seniors over DSS program

By Kimberly White
Capital News Service

A program designed to recover Medicaid costs by allowing state officials to confiscate senior citizens' possessions has senators in the Legislature concerned.

"I have not heard one thing from the Department of Social Services about an estate-recovery program," Sen. Jim Berryman, D-Adrian, said. "I think leaving out the Legislature is irresponsible."

The estate-recovery program is a federally mandated program intended to help states and the federal government recover some of their Medicaid costs for nursing home and

long-term care.

All 50 states are required to develop the program and are in various stages of implementation.

"Michigan hasn't even developed a program yet... we still have a ways to go," said Chuck Peller, a spokesperson for the Michigan Department of Social Services.

Senior citizens who are on Medicaid, which pays medical costs for the poor, are targeted under the estate-recovery program, Peller said.

"People 55 and over who are on Medicaid, who have received payments while in a nursing home, or who received personal care in their home which kept them from having to

go into a nursing home," are automatically in the program, Peller added.

In order to qualify for Medicaid, Peller said a person must spend their assets—such as savings and checking accounts—down to a certain level. In addition, personal belongings including houses, cars and some life insurance are all excluded in calculating Medicaid eligibility.

Peller said the state is concerned with collecting money from persons who leave behind considerable assets, but who had their nursing and home care bills paid by Medicaid.

"Some of the people on Medicaid have homes worth hundreds of

thousands of dollars," Peller said.

"We have a right to recover whatever Medicaid money was paid," Peller added, emphasizing that the state would only attempt to recover money if an estate goes through probate.

According to Peller, the Department of Social Services would like to work with the Legislature to give the program the force of law.

"We can implement a program without legislation... but legislation would allow us to take a lean on property. The policy we develop and the state legislation we get to support it will determine how effective it [estate-recovery program] will be," Peller said.

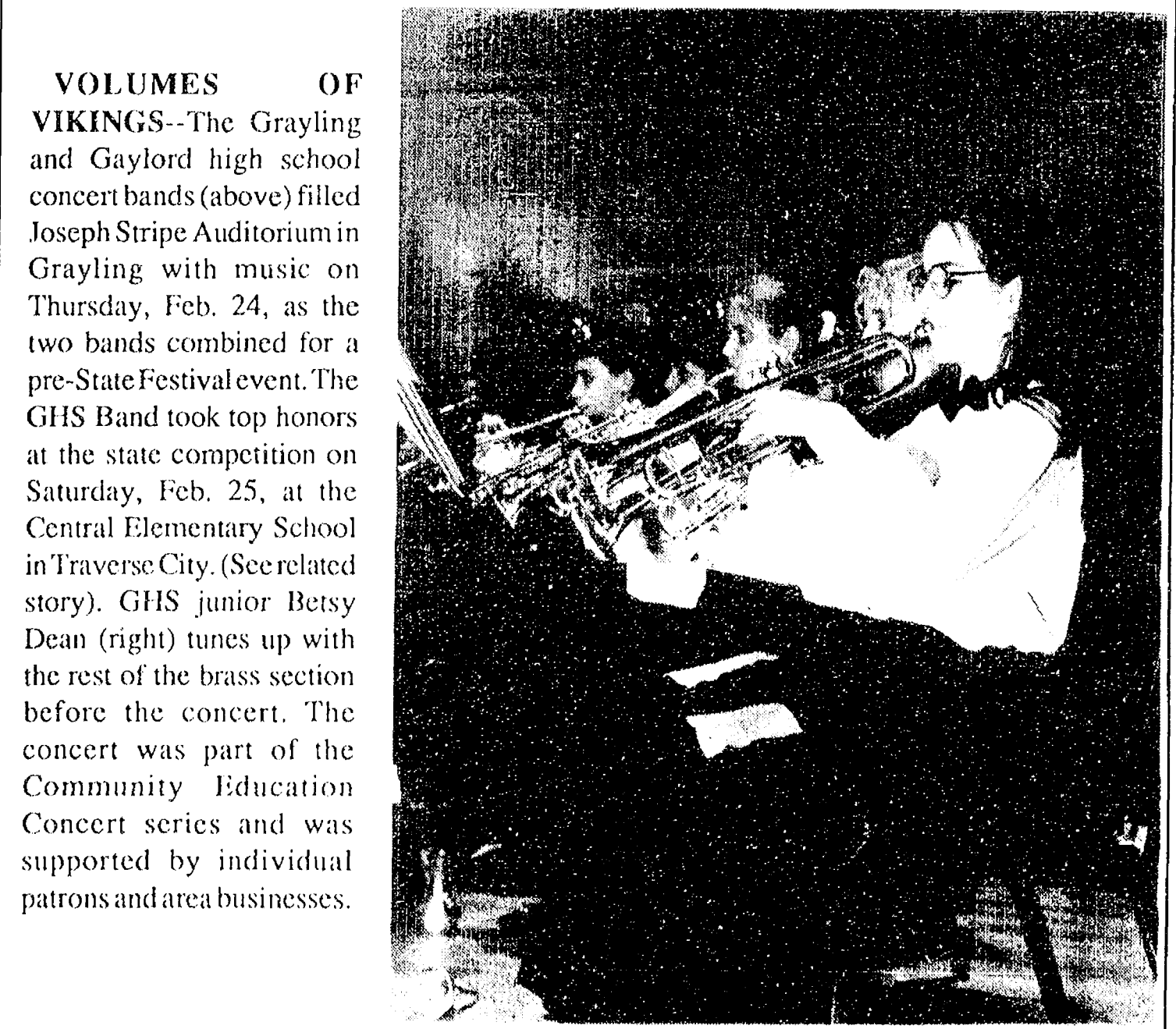
But legislators are incensed with the fact that a program with such impact is being designed without their input.

"It's [estate-recovery program] going to affect millions of people across the state... this is not a party issue," Sen. Berryman said.

It wasn't until after he had received phone calls from concerned constituents about the federally-mandated program that he even knew it existed, Berryman said.

Senate Democratic Leader Art Miller Jr., D-Warren, also said he received phone calls from senior citizens who were afraid of losing everything they owned.

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Education reforms not linked to Proposal A Gov. Engler wants 'world class academic standards'

By Terry Wright
Staff Writer

The March 15 ballot proposal will decide how Michigan will reform the way it finances its public school system. Michigan voters have been bombarded with information on both the constitutional amendment "ballot plan" and on the statutory plan that will take effect if the ballot plan is defeated.

Other planned reforms that don't hinge on which finance package is chosen are changes in how and what students are taught in the classroom

and how schools are administered locally. These reforms will happen regardless of which finance plan goes into effect.

Education reform was to be a large and important part of Gov. Engler's original package. In introducing his package Engler cited the setting of "world-class academic standards," with more input from parents into their children's education.

When Engler's package went to the legislature for debate, considerable discussion occurred on education reform issues. In the end, a

compromise version of education reform was adopted.

Crawford-Ausable School District (CASD), Superintendent Kent Reynolds said only a few of the new reforms will have an effect on local schools.

"We're already doing most of it," Reynolds said.

According to the Michigan Association of School Boards, approved reforms include:

- The restricted establishment of incorporated public school academies by existing public educational entities. Engler's request for cross-district school choice has been dropped.

- The new legislation provides for a statewide mandatory core curriculum by 1997 that includes math, science, reading, history, geography, economics, American government and writing. Provisions have been made to incorporate public opinion into the formation of the curriculum. The state mandated curriculum can not include attitudes, beliefs or value systems that are not essential in the legal, economic and social structure of the society. (This does not apply to local curriculum).

- Another measure requires special remedial assistance to students who do not score well on the Michigan Educational Assessment Tests (MEAP) given in the fourth and seventh grades. The MEAP and high school proficiency exam will only measure academic subject matter, not values and attitudes.

"This will have the biggest impact on our students," Reynolds said. "It will allow us to coordinate the new state program with a federal program already in place, that will provide the dollars to add teacher aids in grades one through five and social work time that can deal with what's going on in kid's lives outside school. Also, we'll be able to purchase computer technology designed to bring science and math skills up to grade."

- Michigan schools will be required to increase the number of instructional hours or days students receive each school year. A gradual increase will bring the minimum number of instructional hours up to 1,080 per year from the current 900 by 1999. Local districts will decide whether to add more days to the school year or increase the length of the school day to meet the requirement.

- School boards will be required to adopt sexual harassment policies for students, teachers and staff.

- Multi-cultural programs will be encouraged at all grade levels for the study of African American, Native American and Asian American cultures.

- By 1995, a plan for the development and implementation of the Michigan Information Network, an interactive video and information system to allow schools to share information, will be in place.

- All public universities and community colleges will be allowed to offer college or high school credit classes in public schools.

- Students participating in extracurricular physical activities can

- be granted credit towards school physical education requirements.

- School districts will be required to develop three-to-five year plans on the role of adult and community education, and the use of libraries and community colleges.

- The state will set grade-level performance standards for consideration by local school boards.

- Site based management will be implemented by local school boards, granting decision making powers at the building level. Each building will form a decision making authority of teachers, administrators, parents and pupils.

- Each school district will have to make provisions for the educational needs for different learning environments required by the diversity of their student population.

- Each school must be State Board certified.

- Student assessments must include both written and oral examinations, demonstrations, writing exercises, individual and group projects, performances and portfolios.

- School districts must give credit for courses in which a student demonstrates mastery of the course material through assessment.

- At-risk students in danger of being expelled or not advancing in grade level, must receive special assistance within the core curriculum and regular classroom.

- Professional development programs (teacher training), will be funded after state approval of a professional development plan.

- School administrators will no longer need to be certified and have teaching experience.

"I think that's really bad," Reynolds said. "Administrators have to be instructional leaders."

Reynolds said, other than that one problem, there is nothing in the new reforms he can take exception to.

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2/24	13	2	0.20	15"
2/25	14	8		15"
2/26	12	-14	0.01	15.5"
2/27	13	-13		15.5"
2/28	20	-20		15.5"
3/1	27	-17		15"

Extended forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Houghton Lake: Wednesday will be partly sunny, with the high in the mid to upper 30s. Dry weather is in store for Thursday and Friday. The high on Thursday will be in the mid 30s to the low 40s, with the low in the 20s. Friday's high will be in the upper 30s to the upper 40s, with the low of around 30. Saturday calls for a chance of rain or snow, with the high in the mid 20s to around 30, and the low of around 20.

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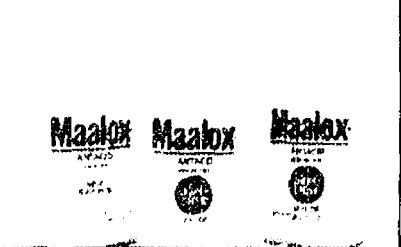
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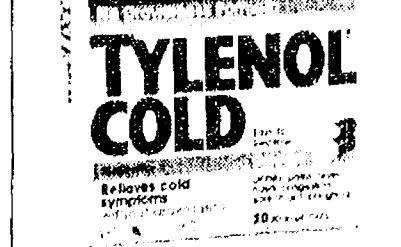
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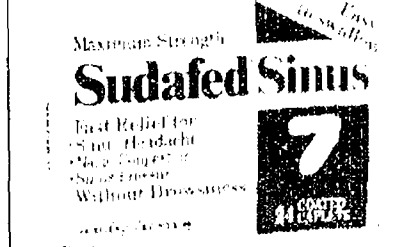
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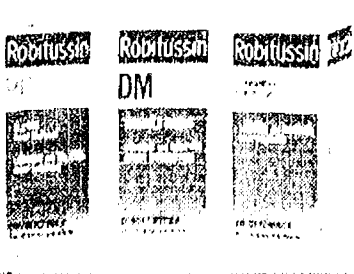
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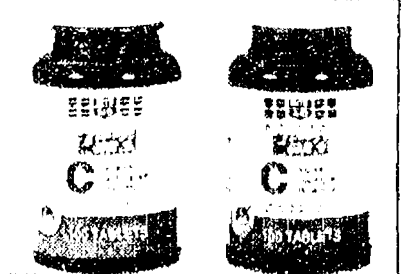
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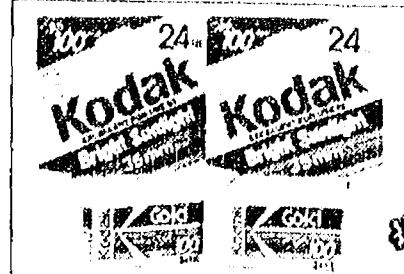
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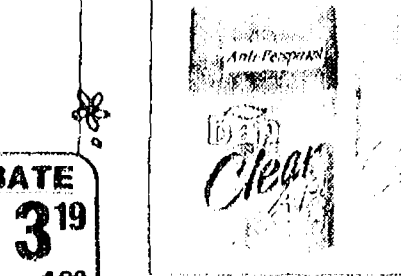
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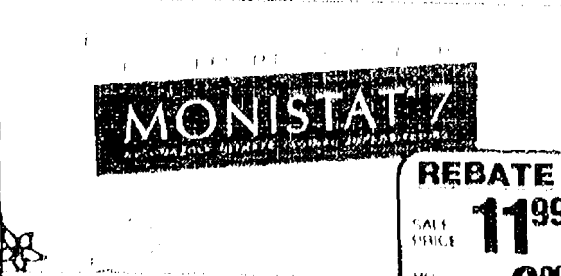
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Lowe set to discuss school finance reform March 4 at GHS

State Rep. Allen Lowe, R-Grayling, has scheduled a public forum in Grayling on March 4 to discuss the options facing voters as they consider the upcoming ballot proposal on school finance.

The 105th District lawmaker will be available at the Grayling High School Media Center beginning at 7 p.m.

"On March 15, Michigan voters will make an important decision about how schools are funded. Area residents deserve an opportunity to learn everything they can about the plans so they can make an informed choice," said Lowe.

Lowe is organizing a series of meetings throughout the district during February and March. Persons needing additional information can call him at (517) 373-0829.

Local officials of the Crawford AuSable School District (CASD) have stated many voters are confused about the upcoming election. Kent Reynolds, superintendent of CASD, said some voters have become confused as state lawmakers have continued to make late changes to the ballot proposal.

"People just need to remember three things: property tax, sales tax and

income tax," Reynolds said.

Reynolds said school officials have not taken a position for or against the ballot proposal, stating CASD will receive a funding increase with either the ballot or statutory plans. He said voters should consider what is best for their economic well-being when casting their ballot.

If passed, the ballot proposal would increase the state sales tax from 4 to 6 percent, while reducing the state personal income tax from 4.6 to 4.4 percent.

The statutory plan, which will automatically go into effect if the ballot

proposal is defeated by voters, will keep the sales tax at its current rate, but the state income tax would increase to 6 percent.

Millage on homesteads would be reduced to six mills, compared to current millage rates, in the ballot plan, and 12 mills in the statutory plan. Second homes and business would be required to pay 24 mills under either plan.

Provided on this page is a form to help residents estimate which is the better plan for them, taking into account such items as income, affect of a sales tax increase and property tax adjustments.

ESTIMATED PERCENTAGE OF INCOME SPENT ON TAXABLE ITEMS	
Income	Percent of Income
\$10,000	0.525
\$20,000	0.428
\$30,000	0.375
\$35,000	0.356
\$40,000	0.341
\$50,000	0.316
\$60,000	0.297
\$80,000	0.267
\$100,000	0.245

Legislation finds little help from northland in building stadiums

State Senator John Pridnia, R-Hubbard Lake, is urging a quick death to legislation creating a new state authority to pave the way for construction of stadiums in Detroit and Grand Rapids.

The Sports and Entertainment Economic Development Authority Act (SPEEDA) is currently being considered in the House Oversight and Ethics Committee.

SPEEDA would allow the designation of sports and entertainment zones and allow the acquisition, improvement and sale of property for stadium construction. The legislation

is the product of a cooperative effort between the Ilich Corporation, Detroit Renaissance and Gov. John Engler.

Representative Allen Lowe, R-Grayling, said the legislation is already in trouble. "It's another of those bills that makes northern Michigan pay for projects that benefit southern Michigan," Lowe said. "I absolutely don't support it."

Pridnia said, "It is ironic how many of the same people who annually oppose the appropriation to the Pontiac Silverdome now apparently favor more stadiums on the public dole. If

millionaires want to build stadiums in Michigan, I encourage them to go right ahead and do so, but not with state funds.

"Here they are talking about helping to construct stadiums and entertainment centers downstate at a time when northern Michigan residents have been waiting far too long to see a number of projects completed," Pridnia added.

"There are lots of economic growth projects in northern Michigan that should take priority over building stadiums in Detroit and Grand Rapids," Lowe said.

Lawmakers concerned for seniors over DSS program

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"There need to be public hearings on this. When you leave out the Legislature, you leave out the people who have been elected to represent the state," Berryman said.

Contending that it is necessary to recoup some money paid by Medicaid, Berryman said the state should have public debate on the program and proceed carefully with its development.

Under the estate-recovery plan, Berryman said the middle class would be hardest hit because the wealthy don't have to go on Medicaid, and the extreme poor have few assets that could be recovered through probate.

"It's the people in between who have accumulated a few things... who will not be able to pass those things along to their children," Berryman said.

Shirley Connor, director for services of the aging in Clare and Gladwin, said it is important to have public

debate and involve the Legislature before making decisions on the program's details.

"I'm not sure how the government is going to go about doing this," Connor said. "I feel that it really needs to be

carefully looked at before anything is done about it."

According to Peller, the Michigan Department of Social Services has tentatively set implementation of the estate-recovery program for Aug. 1.

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Packs of cigarettes purchased monthly x 12 x 0.15	\$
Monthly out of state long distance charges x 12 x 0.04	\$
Real estate sale price x 0.001 (only if selling property during year)	\$
TOTAL TAX CHANGE (i.e. sum all prior lines)	\$
1993 school operating millage (0.02672 x 1993 SEV (C.A.S.D. millage rate))	\$
NET TAX CHANGE (subtract 1993 school tax from total tax change)	\$

BALLOT PLAN

Homestead SEV x 0.006	\$
Non-homestead SEV x 0.024	\$
1994 joint taxable income x 0.002	\$
Packs of cigarettes purchased monthly x 12 x 0.50	\$
Monthly out of state long distance charges x 12 x 0.06	\$
Real estate sale price x 0.02 (only if selling property during year)	\$
Joint taxable income x corresponding percentage from adjacent table x 0.02	\$
TOTAL TAX CHANGE (sum)	\$
1993 school operating millage (0.02672 x 1993 SEV (C.A.S.D. millage rate))	\$
NET TAX CHANGE (subtract '93 school tax from this total tax change)	\$

SPECIAL STATE ELECTION

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PROPOSAL A

A PROPOSAL TO INCREASE THE STATE SALES AND USE TAX RATES FROM 4% TO 6%, LIMIT ANNUAL INCREASES IN PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENTS, EXEMPT SCHOOL OPERATING MILLAGES FROM UNIFORM TAXATION REQUIREMENT AND REQUIRE 3/4 VOTE OF LEGISLATURE TO EXCEED STATUTORILY ESTABLISHED SCHOOL OPERATING MILLAGE RATES

The proposed constitutional amendment would:

- 1) Limit annual assessment increase for each property parcel to 5% or inflation rate, whichever is less. When property is sold or transferred, adjust assessment to current value.
- 2) Increase the sales/use tax. Dedicate additional revenue to schools.
- 3) Exempt school operating millages from uniform taxation requirement.
- 4) Require 3/4 vote of legislature to exceed school operating millage rates.
- 5) Activate laws raising additional school revenues through taxation including partial restoration of property tax.
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Should this proposal be adopted?

Yes ☐
No ☐

THE POLLS of said election will be open at 7 o'clock a.m. and will remain open until 8 o'clock p.m. of said day of election.

Jerry Morford, Grayling City Clerk; Sharon Hartman, Beaver Creek Twp. Clerk; Nancy Bindtschattel, Frederic Twp. Clerk; Monica Ashton, Grayling Twp. Clerk; Cheryl Hopp, Lovells Twp. Clerk; Susan Keene, Maple Forest Twp. Clerk and Mary Mollen, South Branch Twp. Clerk.

ISSUES AND OPINIONS



FROM OUR CORNER By Whitey Madsen

I don't know about you... but, I was a bit perturbed when I rolled out of the sack, looked outside, and all I could think of was I wish I was that overgrown chipmunk in Pennsylvania that comes out of its hole and decides it is better to add six more weeks to its nap... that is on Feb. 2.

I am relating to Feb. 23... if ol' chippy had come out of its hole on Wednesday, I am afraid we wouldn't see spring until Memorial Day.

But, I have to admit it was nice for

a few days... our normal January thaw was a bit late, like almost to March.

All during January as the snow piled up on my roof, and ice was building up on the eaves I was becoming concerned if my roof over our dinette would hold up so the elements would not come through and spoil my Danish soup prepared by my German bride.

That last part was a hint... it has been quite awhile since I have had Danish soup... my problem is, she doesn't read this drivel and unless someone tells her, I may as well forget Danish soup, at least for awhile.

Really, Wednesday, Feb. 23 took away all the joy I was anticipating looking out on to our back yard,

watching the snow go away... the bench with Thelma's potted plants became visible... the picnic table started to look like it should in the summer time...

I would stand in the kitchen window with the warm sun coming through, and I began to think... it will not be too long when our friends from Baltimore, the Orioles, will arrive searching for their favorite oranges on the picnic table...

And for some reason, the Orioles and their oranges reminded me of sitting in the back yard, in the shade of course, with my orange pop... watching the little ones in our neighborhood in their everlasting energy...

Feb. 23 took care of those dreams...

deserve any consideration as a fair trial, which would be ludicrous.

This is treason at its most vicious thoughts... for money, they sold their rights to live... what they did jeopardizes the safety of the United States, and that means you and me.

I read two interesting parts of articles that appeared in the *Detroit News*, on Feb. 24 and Feb. 26 pertaining to the CIA agent and his wife.

The one of the 24th was the last paragraph of the lead editorial of the day.

I quote: "President Clinton's most substantive statement is that he is going to ask President Boris Yeltsin to help us determine how much damage was done. What a laugh -- asking for help from the man who was spying on us. Meanwhile, the president has declared a trade war with Japan. Bashing our friends, cozing up to our adversaries. Sound familiar? It should. The last president who did that was Jimmy Carter."

In the 26th article, we excerpt parts of it:

"Retaliating for the CIA scandal,

the United States on Friday expelled Russia's top intelligence officer after Moscow refused to withdraw him. The Russians protested the expulsion, and American officials said it is likely an American intelligence officer will be expelled from Moscow, repeating the tit-for-tat pattern during the Cold War."

In our opinion, the Russians still cannot be trusted, and the U.S. better keep an eye on Vladimir Zhirinovsky, and not pooh-pooh him off as a renegade, it is those types who get the power in Russia.

For the do-gooders before they come out of the woodwork against capital punishment... may I suggest you talk to the thousands of mothers and fathers who lost their sons and daughters in the wars to protect our country.

If you still believe... move to Russia, that is where they were selling the USA down the drain.

It is time for capital punishment... maybe it would make the high rollers like these two, drug pushers, and young punks on the streets in the cities just killing each other for the sport of it, or maybe a gold chain.

Before I turn this column over to Joe Falls and some of his classics in the News...

I wish to tip my derby to Sarah Woodland being chosen as Miss Grayling Jr. Miss, and to all the other contestants, you are all winners.

A few goodies from Joe Falls' column in the News...

• **John S. Noodge** of the North, says, "People who smile when everything goes wrong are either nuts or they're repairmen."

• **Sonny Elliott** says: "When my wife goes shopping, she comes home with everything but money."

• **Allen Schwartz**, the singing Window Washer, was flying to Los Angeles. The flight attendant asked him if he'd like to have dinner.

He said: "What are my choices?" She said: "Yes or no."

The end: How can any airplane ever be late when they fly 650 miles an hour.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Prison is the proper place for punishment and education

To the editor:

I would like to respond to the letter about prison and education in the last edition of the *Avalanche*.

I do agree that prisons are for punishment, why else would there be so many? However, what about the men who have been judged unfairly? Don't they deserve an education to better the life they now live, after the old one has been destroyed?

To educate men and women while they are being held in prison, to me, is an excellent approach on education. Why spend time thinking about the

past when you can be educated for the future.

Today, our prisons already hold five or six criminals in one cell room. I am sure that college students are better off struggling to make ends meet.

I also feel that writing an opinionated letter to belittle someone is very unnecessary. Is it that you are concerned for this matter with all inmates, or just the ones you feel have done you wrong?

Taking care of her own,
Angela L. Myers

For what it's worth...

A grass roots opinion... mine...

The CIA agent and his wife who have been caught with more than pie on their face should both face the firing squad... without any trial... it is too early to know how much damage they have done to our security... they sold out their country, they do not



FROM THE MOUND By Dennis Mansfield

always plenty of good seats available. Just to add to my woes, some kind member of our local hoops squad tried to erase my Nikon and I with a 99-mph pass down the lane at the last home varsity basketball game.

Sorry, no film at 11 folks. I merely froze as I stood on the baseline, with the sound of the round orange flash smacking the wall still ringing in my ears. Although I forgot to press the shutter release on my camera, all should know any other functions were working overtime.

There could be another reason my search for a "happy thought" has so far been in vain. Don't tell me, it's an election year.

This was an easy guess, and not because of the marks all over my calendar in March and November. No, the big, and I mean big, hint is the continuous flow of mail found atop "the mound."

Everytime someone files to run for office, some political paper pusher

sends me a wonderfully written (I'm being sarcastic here, just to let you know) press release on how the individual in question, who is probably highly questionable, believes he can solve my political woes.

Reality check here, people. Most of the this type of mail now covering my desk has no ties to Crawford County, yet, they keep sending it.

What is so ironic, many of these people say they want to cut down on wasteful spending by the government. I keep wondering how much it cost these brilliant political visionaries to send me all this "stuff," in lieu of a better term.

Hey, I'm starting to sound a little bitter here. Of course, it is hard to calm down on the way home, as I wait for all the wonderfully educated people who ignore the lighting signals at the M-72 West Bridge to cross on the red.

If people are wondering how our educational system is doing these days, just take a survey of the number of

people in automobiles who cannot distinguish red from green.

Hint. The red light is on top, and the green is on bottom.

I know I have yet to mention the yellow light, which acts as an intermediary. But, hey, I didn't want to throw in a third color when people are still having so much trouble with the first two. I thought that would be too confusing.

Well, I guess I still haven't found my happy thought. There has to be one here somewhere on "the mound." It's hard to tell when my desk is drowning in paper telling me who is running for what.

One good thing has come of my day. It's over, and time for me to do another "survey" at the bridge.

Hopefully I'll find my happy thought at home. Besides, two-lane traffic over the M-72 bridge is supposed to be open in May, and those political paper pushers have only nine more months to add to "the mound."

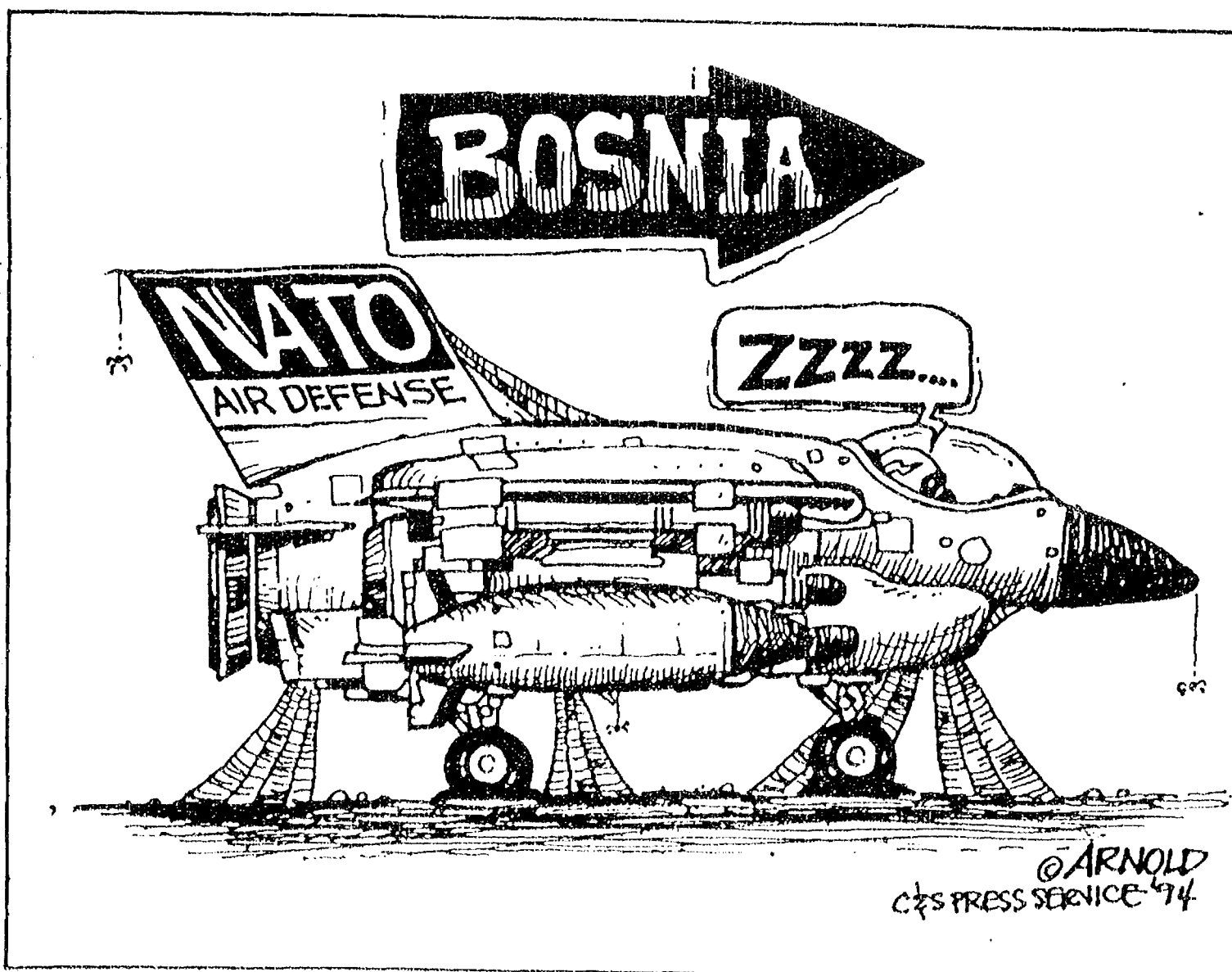
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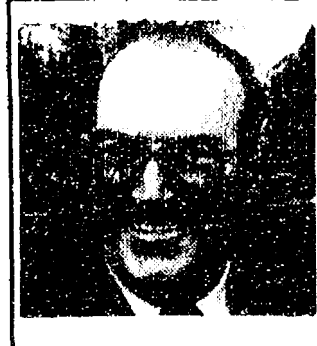
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LET'S TALK ABOUT IT

By Joe Murphy



The beautiful spring-like days we have enjoyed the past few days have really got the old man cranked up about spring.

I know cold weather will return with a vengeance and it will be a while before spring is here for real. Still these nice days were a taste of the fine wine of spring. I was hoping we would get a temperature of 55 degrees, because I've always used that as my magic number for the end of winter.

We came close, but no banana, so I guess I'll have to wait awhile yet. Still, we will soon be marching into spring and soon those nice days will be for real.

All of those days when it was so bitter cold, got the old man started thinking of the torture such cold must have been to the Indians and early settlers. Today, with our insulated homes and modern heating systems, it is hard to picture the life of people who had to depend on a fire or fireplace to provide the heat for warmth and cooking their food.

Most of us today with our

thermostats set at 72 degrees, would find it hard to live as they did back then. But the human body is very adaptable to cold and heat.

When the Puerto Rico National Guard was here for summer training, we had to order field jackets and gloves for them. Even those days when we would be wearing T-shirts and sweating, they would be wearing winter gear and complaining of the cold.

I have read that Eskimos were comfortable if their whale oil lamps raised the temperatures in their igloos to 40 degrees. I guess what your body is used to determines our comfort zones. I know what we considered as nice warm days lately we would call cold in July.

Even though I know that mushroom season is at least a couple month away, the warm days we have had of late has got me planning my assault on the

fungus. The past few years have been real duds as far as my finding mushrooms, but every spring finds me hoping for a banner year.

One thing I do know for sure is I am getting very tired of my winter pastime pursuits. I have read till my eyeballs ache, played cribbage and solitaire, about three decks worth. In the fall, it seems nice to think of all those projects you are going to do in the winter ahead when time hangs heavy on your hands.

Somehow in the depth of winter you forget just what it was you were going to do.

I think our old minds tend to get in a rut in winter, making it hard to even imagine bright sunny days. I think that in the doldrums of winter our minds start telling us this is the way it's going to be from now on. It seems to get to the point spring seems like a distant, unattainable goal.

At least the past few nice days proved those thoughts were wrong.

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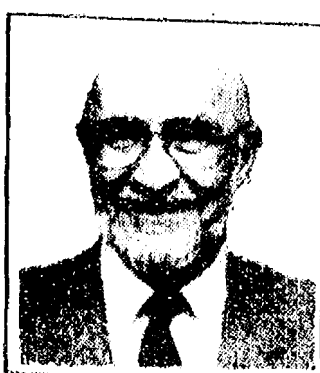
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ALMANACK By Richard Milliman

Decision time getting closer

MARCH 15TH ONCE was the dreaded time of the year when federal income taxes were due.

When the date was set back to April 15, March 15 lost much of its tax significance.

Now the dread is back — at least in Michigan. On March 15 this year, Michigan citizens will decide whether to pay a higher sales tax or a higher income tax.

To many voters, it's like choosing between the electric chair, or lethal injection.

To many, if we had our "druthers," we'd rather have neither higher sales tax, nor higher income tax, even disguised as help for local schools and homeowners.

Michigan voters have rejected similar proposals in the past — the latest as recently as last year. No more sales tax, the voters have decided time after time.

This year may well be different. This year, if the sales tax fails, then the income tax goes up. And if there's any tax most voters like less than a

higher sales tax, it's a higher income tax.

HERE'S THE ACTUAL wording of Proposal A, as it will appear on the March 15 ballot:

"A PROPOSAL TO INCREASE THE STATE SALES AND USE TAX RATES FROM 4% TO 6%, LIMIT ANNUAL INCREASES IN PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENTS, EXEMPT SCHOOL OPERATING MILLAGES FROM UNIFORM TAXATION REQUIREMENT AND REQUIRE 3/4 VOTE OF LEGISLATURE TO EXCEED STATUTORILY ESTABLISHED SCHOOL OPERATING MILLAGE RATES

"The proposed constitutional amendment would:

"(1) Limit annual assessment increase for each property parcel to 5% or inflation rate, whichever is less. When property is sold or transferred, adjust assessment to current value.

"(2) Increase the sales/use tax. Dedicate additional revenue to schools.

"(3) Exempt school operating millages from uniform taxation

requirement.

"(4) Require 3/4 vote of legislature to exceed school operating millage rates.

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"Should this proposal be adopted?"

The decision requires a simple "yes" or "no" answer.

MOST DETAILS ARE equally as plain.

If the issue passes, the state sales tax would go up from 4 to 6 percent; the state income tax would go down from 4.6 percent to 4.4 percent; the state cigarette tax would go up from 25 cents a pack to 75 cents; sales tax on real estate sales somewhere up to 2 percent would be levied; a 6-mill property tax would be placed on homes and a 24-mill property tax on business property and second homes; and a new keno lottery game would be made available to bars and restaurants.

All these changes are made in the name of helping schools and restoring equity to the tax system.

There are those who argue that rejection of Proposal A also would help schools and provide even more equitable taxation.

Already in place, ready for life, is the back-up tax plan, which becomes effective if voters say "no" to the sales tax hike.

In that case, the state income tax would go up from 4.6 percent to 6 percent, and personal exemptions would go up from \$2,100 to \$3,000; a 12 mill state property tax will be placed on homes and 24 mills on business and second homes; the cigarette tax would go from 25 cents to 40 cents a pack; the single business tax would go from 2.35 to 2.75 percent; and the real estate sales tax would be topped at 1 percent of sales.

There appear to be no surprises in these packages. They have been well aired by both opponents and advocates

for several weeks. What will develop in the final days before the election will not be new information, but rather emotional appeals.

THE DEVIL, THEY say, is in the details. That likely will be true here, too — in the details, and in the implementation of what certainly are going to be momentous tax changes.

Much has been determined already by the legislature; but unless it becomes part of the state constitution, anything decided by the legislature can be undecided.

That's why there's negotiation on the level of the real estate sales tax; it could go up or down. So could the new income tax rates, for another example, and just about everything else in the backup proposal.

Uncertainties involved in legislative implementation of our tax system year after year is one reason voters in the past have opted for constitutional protections.

The choice on March 15 is not an easy one, but these protections provided by Proposal A make the decision easier.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

American Viewpoints



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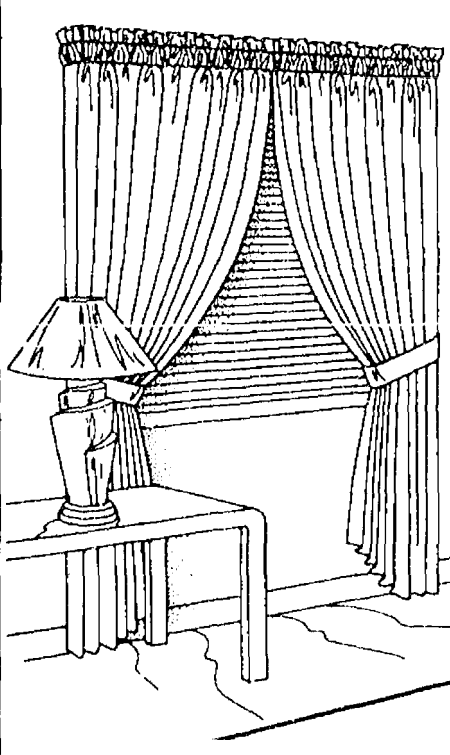
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The Grayling Jaycee Chapter would like to extend a sincere "Thank You" to the Grayling Township customers who participated in the special offered for Showtime through Up-State Cablevision. The Jaycee's received a check for \$250 from Up-State Cablevision that will be utilized to enhance youth programs in the Grayling area.

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The Three Faces of Mental Illness

Dear Mr. Ross: I would like to pass along a little advice to Miss T. P. of Ithaca, Mich. How fortunate she is to have her brother in an institution where he is warm, clean, has regular meals, a roof over his head and medical care. Too many of our schizophrenic people are on the streets--homeless--subject to violence and even death.

At age 35 my husband suffered his first of many breakdowns. At the time we had two boys, ages 9 and 10. I became my husband's legal guardian. I had to handle him, my job, plus raising the boys. At age 45 he was re-hospitalized. That's when I learned I was pregnant again. We had two girls in two years. I can remember back then questioning the doctors about whether this illness could be inherited. "No, no, no," they kept telling me. Well, it can! I found out my mother-in-law had schizophrenia and our last daughter has it. I tried to care for her but it was too much. She's now in adult foster care because she tried to kill her two children. I am their guardian now and watch constantly for signs of the illness in them. So, to Miss T. P. I say, visit your brother, send him special goodies, take him out on day passes, but never, never take him to live in your house. Schizophrenics cannot always be trusted and their thoughts can become violent. Believe me, I know.

Mrs. J. B. ... *Clare County Review, Clare, MI*

Dear Mrs. B.: Thank you for your letter and please read on.

Dear Percy Ross: I desperately need some help --some protection--against the people who are trying to kill me. Whatever you do--don't go to the police. They're the biggest culprits in this. They've bugged my telephone and my room so we'll have to meet somewhere near my house. There's people constantly watching my every move, but I can fool them sometimes. The hard part is when my thoughts go into other people's heads, then they can control me.

Write Percy Ross, P.O. Box 39000-B, Minneapolis, MN 55439. Include your phone number and name of this publication. All letters are read. Only a few are answered in this column; others may be acknowledged privately.

The doctors and nurses at the mental health clinic have teamed up with the police. They're trying to drug me but I won't let them. Please, I just want something or somebody to protect me from these awful people who are trying to kill me.

M. J. ... *Town Crier, La Porte, IN*

Dear M. J.: Hang tight and read on.

Dear Mr. Ross: I'm writing to express my gratitude. You were a key player in getting me a scholarship to the West Virginia Canine College (WVCC). You then went on to give me much of the remaining amount I needed for tuition, asking me to come up with the small balance. I did it! I graduated! I'm now a certified dog trainer. You and Wayne Davis (founder of the school) have helped put meaning in my life. Being manic depressive and unable to hold down a regular job, I'm now able to own my own business and work at my own pace. I want you to know that I'm going to go for it and how excited I am. Thanks again. I now look forward to a future--one I wouldn't have without you and Mr. Davis. Thank you for believing in me.

Diane Miller ... *Columbus Dispatch, Diamond, OH*

Dear Readers: The above letters give us an inside look at mental illness from three perspectives. To Mrs. J. B. I thank you again for your letter. Don't forget I'm a stones throw away if you need some help. To M. J., I'm glad I phoned to learn you have a guardian living with you. I also learned that the \$500 I'm sending should help secure medication and counseling services. And to you, Diane Miller, please accept a round of applause from me and my staff. We're extremely proud of your success. To the rest of my readers I want to say that mental illness should not carry the stigma it still does. I look forward to the day we allocate more research money to finding better medication and treatment.

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FRI. 4	• BBB VS. ELK RAPIDS, away, 6 pm. • WRESTLING TEAM STATE FINALS. • WORLD DAY OF PRAYER @ St. John Lutheran Church ELCA, 1 pm, 710 Spruce St.
SAT. 5	• VB DISTRICTS. • WRESTLING TEAM STATE FINALS. • KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE presents "Paul Vondiziano - Classical Guitarist" @ 8 pm, for information call 275-5121.
SUN. 6	• ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE TODAY. • JR. PRO MEETING @ Holiday Inn boardroom, 6 pm.
MON. 7	• MIDDLE SCHOOL SPIRIT WEEK. • BBB DISTRICTS March 7-12. • FIRST DAY OF PRACTICE for spring sports. • BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, 6:30 pm. • KIWANIS LUNCHEON MEETING @ 12:10, Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel.
TUES. 8	• GRAYLING PROMOTIONAL ASSOCIATION luncheon meeting @ noon, Iron Gate Restaurant. • NEW BEGINNINGS stomach stapling support group @ Mercy Hospital private dining room, 7 pm.
WED. 9	• ROTARY LUNCHEON MEETING @ noon, Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel. • WEIGHT WATCHERS MEETING @ St. Francis Episcopal Church on M-72 W.; weigh-in 4:45; meeting 5:30. • COA board meeting @ Grayling Housing Commission building, 308 Lawndale, 5:30 pm.



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HONORS LIST

Hannah Peterson received her bachelor's degree in accounting, with high honors, from Davenport College in December, 1993. She was also placed on the Dean's List for fall term 1993 with a grade point average of 3.81. She will be seeking employment in the Grand Rapids area. Peterson is the daughter of Alan and Ruby Peterson of Grayling.

Kevin P. McDonough of Roscommon, a GHS graduate, was recently named to the Dean's List at Northern Michigan University in Marquette, for attaining a 4.0 grade point average for the 1993 fall semester. Also receiving academic honors from Northern Michigan University for the 1993 fall semester for attaining a 3.25 to 3.99 grade point average are Gretchen M. Dice of Grayling, Matthew J. Price and Martha E. Roemer, both of Roscommon.



MOST DESERVING MATH STUDENTS—Pictured above are the "Most Deserving Math Students" from Frederic Elementary School. Front row, left to right, Tim Domcik, second grade; Daniel Mathey, primary; Travis Webb, kindergarten; Patrick Kohler, first grade; Ashley Hartig, third grade; back row, Dustin Beaman, third grade, Kyle Roman, fourth grade; Denae Southworth, fourth grade; John Gardiner, fourth grade; Josh Jurkovich, third grade; Dustin Wilcox, fourth grade. (Photo by Pat Nunn).

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Radio classes scheduled

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Testing includes all license classes from novice through amateur extra classes, both code and written tests. Pre-registration is not required and walk-ins are accepted. Those persons who already have an amateur license and plan to upgrade must bring a copy of their current license to the test session.

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STUDENT OF THE MONTH FOR FEBRUARY--Grayling Middle School students of the month for February are shown above, not in this order: Charles Armstrong, Tyler Ballor, Raymond Babbitt, Eric Britton, Levi Burkett, Danelle Canfield, William Chase, KeAlii Clifton, Angela Cooper, Joel Cummings, Crystal Daniels, Derek Denewitt, Carolyn Fleischmann, Jenny French, April Gosling, Jordan Hall, Jesse Hannum, Nick Harmer, Kristy Irish, Kelly Kiefer, Carol Lownsberry, Danielle McClanahan (absent), Ryan Michels, Brian Noeske, Raymond Pyle, Robert Robbins, Andrew Smith, Michelle Stepp, Robbie Tackett, Joyce Thomas, Ray Trudgeon, Aaron Weaver, Emily Weaver, and Christy Whitehead (absent).

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Levi Burkett

Mrs. Feldhauser's fifth grade

If you heard dissection what would you say? Most people would say gross! That's what I said at first, but once I started to dissect the pig pluck it wasn't so gross anymore. It was a lot of fun putting a straw in the windpipe and making the lungs inflate or putting a marble through the esophagus. Then we went to the heart and it was really cool. It seemed weird to look at a real heart and a real pair of lungs. I wish we did more dissecting. But, we probably won't, so I'll have to wait for a different class when I get older.

Monique Fagan

Mrs. Feldhauser's fifth grade

At first I thought dissection was going to be gross. But, when I saw the lungs it was double gross. When Mrs. Soffredine said to cut off the esophagus, I thought I was going to get sick. Then, it really got fun! I especially liked when we blew up the lungs with a straw and when we stuck a marble down the esophagus. I learned that dissecting is fun and if you think dissecting is gross go buy a pig and try dissecting it!

Jayne Potter

Miss Wallace's fifth grade

On Feb. 3, 1994, Miss Wallace and Mrs. Feldhauser's fifth grade classes dissected a pig pluck (heart, lungs, esophagus, and trachea). We learned a lot from the instructor, Mrs. Soffredine. We got to put a straw down the trachea and blow into the lungs. We pushed a marble down the esophagus and it came out where the stomach would have been. We dissected plucks because we have been studying the human body, so we decided to see what the organs really looked like.

April Schroyer

Mrs. Wallace's fifth grade

A Trip Through the Digestive System

It's 7:45 a.m. and you're on your way. It's now 7:59 and you just arrived at the Muncharo's Space Center. 10.. 9.. 8.. 7.. 6.. 5.. 4.. 3.. 2.. 1 Blast off! You look ahead and see pointy white things! "Watch out! We're headed toward the teeth! Everyone duck, quick guard your head!" you scream.

Now you see gooey, slimy stuff called saliva coming down the sides of the mouth, which helps mash the food up even more than those breath-taking teeth!

Oh no! All of a sudden we got sucked down the esophagus! "Ahhh!" everyone screamed.

Wow, it was a hard landing, but luckily we survived. We fell from the esophagus and landed in the stomach.

"Wow, this is real interesting." "Wow, Cool!" your interested spacemates comment.

The stomach was sort of like a river, because of the liquid and all the mashed up, watery food.

"Lower the anchor!" you yell. I would say we were in there for about two to three hours.

Next we traveled to the small intestine. It was hard to see because of the hairy, finger-like villi. The villi were sucking out all the nutrients, it was exactly like a wind storm. The 20-foot-long small intestine took up from four to eight hours.

Next up is the large intestine. The water was taken to the bladder, and the solid waste exited out of the body by the rectum, and so were we. Even though the large intestine is only five feet long, it took us 10-12 hours to get through it. Well, that's the end of our journey. See you later, bye!

Jessica Holzbauer

Mrs. Wallace's fifth grade
The Muncharos Explore the Digestive System

I woke up Friday morning at 7:59. I knew it was breakfast time because there stood Jessica ready to eat me.

"All right, men, synchronize your watches. Here we go," I ordered.

"Aye, aye cap'in," they called.

We started our journey at 8:00 a.m. I knew it was time for action.

"Get prepared, crew. Boulder-like things called teeth are going to try to crush us! Be prepared!" I said, just soon enough.

We barely made it through that mouth. But, nevertheless we were on our way.

I traveled down the esophagus. It was a steep ride, but I made it. I told the crew we would not be having so much turbulence once we were in the

stomach.

The stomach was very interesting. It was like a bag made out of stretchy threads. There were acids in there trying to break us up, but my ship stayed strong. I'd say we were in the stomach for two or three hours.

Next, my ship traveled to the small intestine. There were really gross hairy finger-like villi sucking up the other ships. Some people called the other ships nutrients.

A shout of triumph rose from my colleagues as our enemies, the tractelo's ship was sucked up. Ha, ha, our ship, the Muncharo's ship, had held up.

I would estimate we were in the small intestine for four to eight hours. My crew has made me proud. They did some research and found that the small intestine is 20 feet when stretched out.

Then I traveled to the large intestine. I would not leave this like some ships. Some other ships went to the bladder to be liquid waste. I stayed with the firmer waste.

I ready somewhere that the large intestine is five feet when stretched out. We were in the large intestine for 10 to 12 hours.

I would say we were in the body for 24 hours.

I am sorry I forgot to tell you how we got out. My crew and I exited through the rectum.

This has been a most exciting adventure. I think next time I'll try the circulatory system.

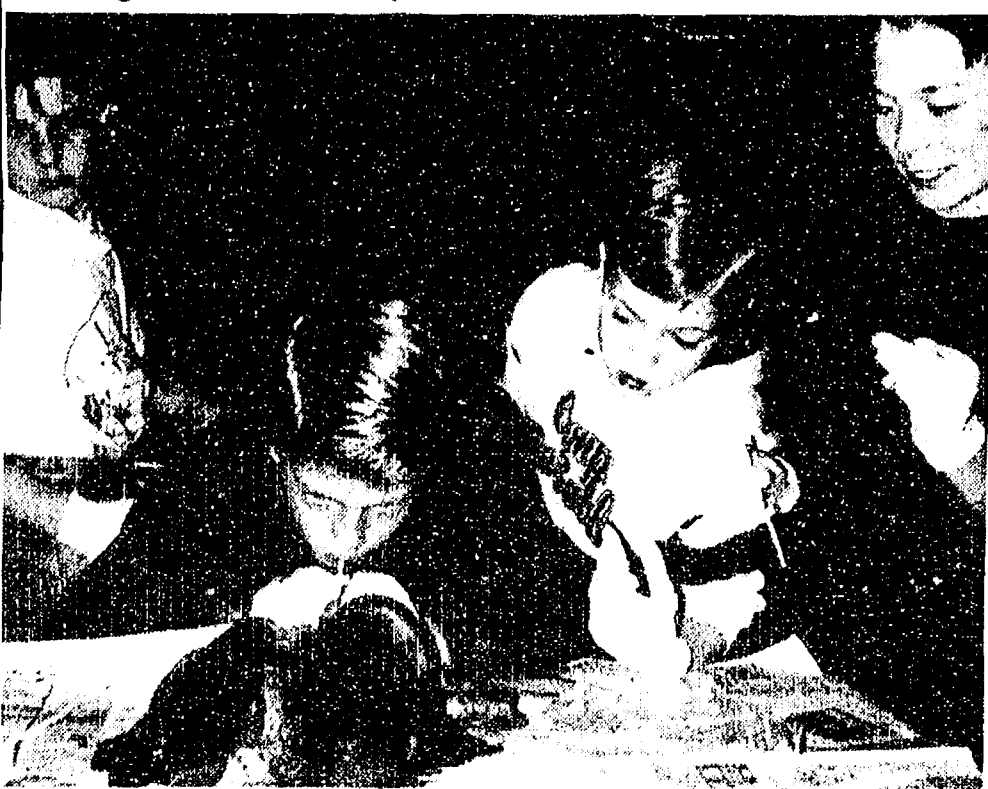
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BLOWING UP LUNGS--Afawna VerWyse is shown above blowing up a pig lung, and Man Ginther is shown below while Brandon Pyle, Andy Miltenberger, and Cameron McClain look on. Their classes have been studying the human body and this was part of a recent hands-on science exercise to let them see real organs and how they function.



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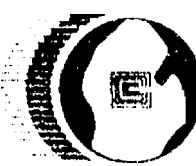
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Taxpayers urged to check off State Campaign Fund

Michigan taxpayers completing their 1993 income tax return forms should consider making a no-cost contribution to the State Campaign Fund, according to Secretary of State Richard H. Austin.

Taxpayers who check the State Campaign Fund box, listed on line 5 of the Michigan 1040 Individual Income Tax Return, will not reduce their tax refund or increase the tax owed, stated Austin, who serves as top elections official in Michigan. The check-off provides public money to the fund.

The State Campaign Fund was established by law in 1976 to ensure more candidates had access to funds to run for governor of Michigan. The State Campaign Fund makes matching public funds available to gubernatorial candidates to restrict overall campaign

spending, make candidates less dependent on special interest funding, and to help increase competition in primaries.

Any candidate requesting public funding for a gubernatorial campaign must raise at least \$75,000 in qualifying contributions and agree to limit campaign spending to \$2 million.

A law that took effect in December 1993 increased the check-off from \$2 to \$3 per taxpayer. Funds designated to the fund on the 1993 tax return due April 15, will be used to fund candidate campaigns during the 1994 primary and general election.

In 1992, the most recent year for which statistics are available, some 593,000 taxpayers authorized a total of \$1,186,000 for the fund.



CUB SCOUT BANQUET--Doug Hermann, Cubmaster of Cub Pack 3993, is shown presenting Laurie Figley, youth services chairman of Grayling Kiwanis, with a plaque thanking Kiwanis for their sponsorship of the pack. Other awards and honors were given to members of the pack at the "Blue and Gold" banquet held Feb. 17.

House passes bill to replenish veteran fund

The Michigan Veterans Trust Fund would be repaid \$11.5 million when the Accident Fund of Michigan is sold later this year under legislation approved today by the Michigan House.

Rep. Allen Lowe, R-Grayling, who chairs the House Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, sponsored House Bill 5303 to replenish the depleted fund. Created in 1943, the MVTF provides temporary assistance to the state's veterans and their dependents during personal emergencies.

"Unfortunately, money set aside for veterans was siphoned off for other uses," said Lowe. "This plan demonstrates our commitment to restitution. We owe it to those who put their lives on the line for our country." Lowe wants all proceeds, principal and earnings from the fund to be spent only on projects authorized by the group's board of trustees. Since its

inception, the MVTF has battled constantly with the legislative and executive branches over how the trust's resources should be spent. During the last 40 years, the fund was raided repeatedly to cover shortfalls in the state's general fund.

The 105th District lawmaker is determined to pay off the debt owed to the MVTF. He said selling the state's largest provider of workers compensation insurance offers a unique opportunity to address the funding dilemma. Lowe's legislation would help make this goal a reality.

"Finding expedient cures to our budget problems has forced this fund to endure countless attacks on its authority, integrity and purpose," Lowe said. "Rather than jeopardize the MVTF's future, we should practice better budget discipline. Once this debt is paid by the Accident Fund sale, it is important to make certain history doesn't repeat itself."



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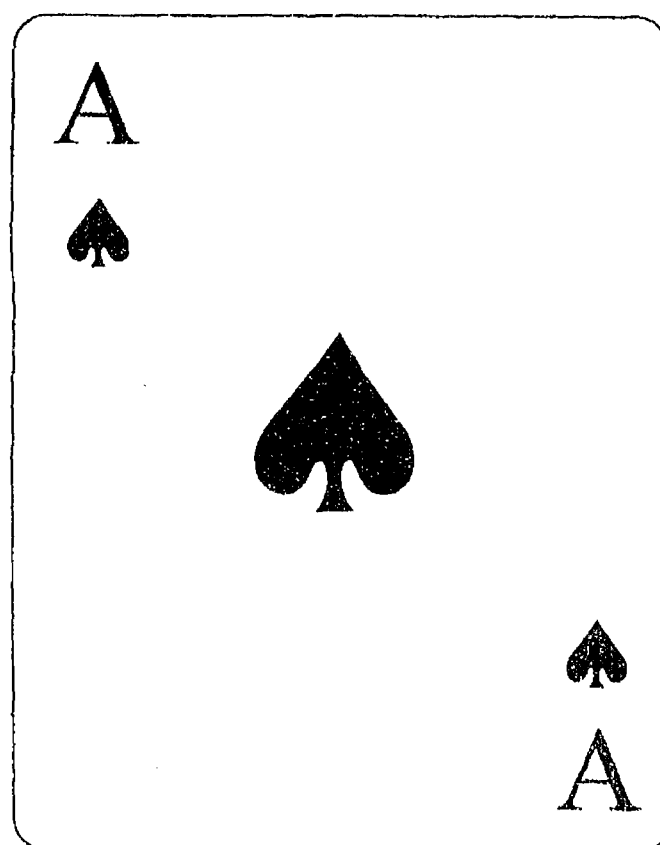
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YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY

By Charles Tinsley

Paying taxes on Social Security benefits

If you're a Social Security beneficiary, the odds are you do not owe any taxes on your benefits. In fact, about 80 percent of all Social Security recipients don't pay taxes on the benefits they receive. Those who do are generally in the upper-income brackets.

You owe taxes on your benefits when your "combined income" exceeds certain limits. Combined income refers to your (and your spouse's) adjusted gross income as reported on line 31 of your tax return plus one-half of your Social Security benefits plus your nontaxable interest (generally, that's the interest you receive from bonds issued by a state or local government). To help you figure

your combined income, Social Security sends you a "1099" statement at the beginning of each year showing the total Social Security benefits received in the prior year.

There are different rules for the 1993 tax return you'll file by April 15 of this year than for the 1994 return you'll file next year. Following is 1994 tax information to help in tax planning efforts for next year.

1993 Tax Returns

If you file an individual 1993 tax return and your "combined income" last year was over \$25,000, up to 50 percent of your Social Security benefits will be taxable.

If you file a joint 1993 tax return and your "combined income" was more than \$32,000, up to 50 percent of your Social Security benefits will be taxable.

Couples who file separate tax returns probably will pay taxes on their Social Security benefits.

1994 Tax Returns

If you plan to file an individual 1994 tax return and you expect your 1994 "combined income" to be between \$25,000 and \$34,000, up to 50 percent of your Social Security benefits will be taxable. If your income is above \$34,000, you should anticipate 85 percent of your benefits being subject to tax.

If you and your spouse plan to file a joint return for 1994 and your "combined income" is between \$32,000 and \$44,000, up to 50 percent of your benefits will be taxable. But if your joint income exceeds \$44,000, up to 85 percent of your Social Security benefits may be taxable.

Couples who file separate tax returns probably will pay taxes on their Social Security benefits.

For More Information

Although the subject has been Social Security benefits, questions about taxes are matters for the Internal Revenue Service. So if you need more tax information, you should call the IRS at 1-800-829-1040.

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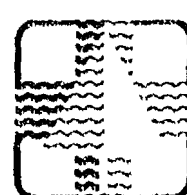
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DONALDSON HONORED--Alex Donaldson (left) was recognized for his efforts in the Grayling community by Modern Woodmen of America during a dinner at the Iron Gate Restaurant on Feb. 18. Patty Salyers (right) is shown presenting a certificate of recognition to Donaldson.

Pridnia named 'most conservative' in senate

Senator John D. Pridnia, R-Hubard Lake, was named the most conservative member of the Michigan Senate in a survey by *Inside Michigan Politics*, a Lansing-based newsletter published by political analyst Bill Ballenger.

Pridnia said he welcomed the honor, since the analysis seemed to be based primarily on votes concerning tax policy and crime issues. In addition, Pridnia said he felt many of the votes analyzed by the newsletter revolved around southern Michigan and Detroit issues. Few directly involved northern Michigan and the Upper Peninsula.

"It has never been my intent to be the most conservative member of the Michigan Senate," Pridnia said. "I have tried to represent my district as it

wants me to do in terms of voting and spending their tax dollars."

"I voted to safeguard the best interests of northern Michigan families, children, businesses and schools," Pridnia continued. "If that makes me the most conservative member of the Senate in *Inside Michigan Politics*' view, then so be it. I am delighted with the honor."

For instance, lawmakers were judged conservative if they voted for legislation removing the right of appeal for criminals who plead guilty, then do not like their sentences. They were also judged to be conservative if they voted against allowing the decriminalization of a number of offenses.

"For me, these were simple choices," Pridnia said. "It is about basic public safety — the expectation of punishment when you break the law and hurt other people."

Pridnia also scored well on the survey for opposing a number of tax hikes, including increasing the Single Business Tax, increasing the income tax and imposing a transfer tax on real estate sales.

"While these items were hotly debated by members of the Detroit and southern Michigan delegation, I found these tax increases excessive and absolutely unacceptable to the northern Michigan economy," Pridnia said. "That these proposals were even seriously debated at a time when much of northern Michigan's economy continues to struggle, shows a general lack of understanding to the unique concerns of our region."

March 11-Herbed Chicken.

Coming Events

Mark your calendars for: New! Wednesday afternoon card parties beginning at 12:30 p.m. Make up your own table or join in the game with others, but do come and have fun. Refreshments will be served.

"BK" Birthday Bingo on March 8 at 12:30 p.m. All March birthday people are especially honored.

Trivia Game on Tuesday, March 8 at 5:30 p.m.

St. Patrick's Dance on March 9 at 5:30 p.m. Come in and show you're Irish!

Blood pressures and blood sugars taken on Thursday, March 10 from 11 a.m. to 12 noon.

Lovells Satellite on Friday, March 11.

Crafts every Tuesday morning at 10 a.m., bring your own to do or learn something new to do with the gang.

Bible study at 10:30 a.m. every Wednesday.

when the Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Combo perform in concert. The 8 p.m. performance will be held in the Michael P. Dendrinos Chapel/Recital Hall.

Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students and are available at the door or by contacting the Interlochen Box Office at (616) 276-6230.

Classical guitarist, Paul Vondiziano, will be appearing at Kirtland Community College on Saturday, March 5 at 8 p.m.

Tickets for this performance are \$5 per person, general admission. For further information or to purchase tickets, call the Cultural Events Department at Kirtland at 517-275-5121, extension 242.

New York Voices, a five member, contemporary vocal jazz group will perform at Kirtland Community College on Saturday, April 16, at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$14 to \$17 per person. For further information or to reserve tickets, call Brent Baxter Barrett, Kirtland's cultural events coordinator, at 517-275-5121, extension 242.

Harvest, a Christian rock group, will perform contemporary and traditional selections on Tuesday evening, April 26, at 7 p.m. in the Kirtland Community College Auditorium.

Tickets are \$5 per person and are available at Hunt's Drug Store, Houghton Lake, or Kirtland Community College, Cultural Events Office.

COMMISSION ON AGING

By Jan Farley

I think that the weather man is holding a grudge against us because this is the second time that we have had to cancel the "Pajama Party" dance! The storm was very bad in Mio and Tina couldn't make it. We will try for later in the year, when the weather is nice.

This coming Sunday, March 6, is our Sunday Brunch time. Sausage gravy and biscuits is the main course, with scrambled eggs, link sausage, fruit bar and dessert. All this and you can dawdle over coffee and visit with your friends. This all happens between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m., so come on over and join the fun.

The meals at the center are good, nourishing, well-balanced meals, plus the idea of not having to cook it yourself and do the dishes should make it a grand idea to come in more often. Any senior in Crawford County that is 60 years of age or older; or is the spouse of a senior; and regardless of their income, race, creed and national origin, etc. are welcome.

The suggested donation for your meal is \$1.50 and if you have friends or relatives that you want to bring with you and they are under the age limit, their meal only costs \$2.50. Reservations are appreciated but not required, however, it helps to have a general idea to insure an adequate amount of food.

Congregate meals are served at noon and 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday and at noon on Fridays. Menus are subject to change and are listed as **Lunch/Dinner:**

March 2-Baked Chicken/Brown Steak;

March 3-BBQ Beef Sand/Pork Chops;

March 4-Spanish Rice;

March 7-Veal Birds/Wiener Schnitzel;

March 8-Sweet & Sour Meatballs/Chicken Kiev;

March 9-Veal Steak/Swiss Steak;

March 10-Beef Roast/Hawaiian Ham;

AREA ATTRACTIONS

State Rep. Allen Lowe, R-Grayling, and the Michigan State Police Motor Carrier Division are sponsoring a training seminar for truck drivers on March 3 in Grayling.

The Grayling lawmaker said the free session begins at 6:30 p.m. in the basement of the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan. Coffee and rolls will be provided.

"We will discuss new truck laws and other key matter such as spring restrictions, tarping and inspections. The seminar should provide useful information for all participants," said Lowe, who serves on the House

Transportation Committee.

Those interested in attending should contact Lowe at (517) 373-0829 or (517) 348-6197.

The ballet *Little Women* will be presented at Interlochen Arts Academy as part of the Winter Dance Concert Friday and Saturday, March 4 and 5 at 8 p.m. and during a Sunday matinee, March 6, at 3 p.m.

Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$4 for students 18 and under and senior citizens.

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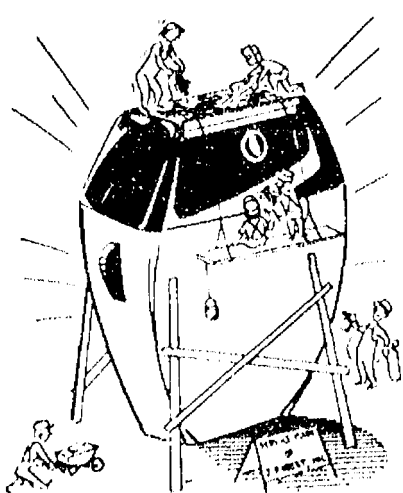
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The issue date for this special section is March 31st, with the deadline for advertising on March 18th.

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ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED—Wayne and Karen Casler of Grayling, are pleased to announce the engagement of their son, Wayne Michael Casler, to Rebecca Lynn Bruce, daughter of Barry and Sharon Bruce of Lake Orion. The wedding is planned for April 30, at the Church of St. Michael's in Grand Ledge.

F.S.U. names fall graduates

Lori Gust of Grayling, graduated from Ferris State University with a B.S. in Marketing/Retail during the fall quarter, which ended Dec. 17.

Jeffrey VanWormer of Roscommon, received a B.S. in Pharmacy and Mark Murphy of Roscommon, received a B.S. in Computer Info. Sys. from Ferris State University during the fall quarter, which ended Dec. 17.

'Lion of the Year' recipients honored

At the Feb. 16 meeting of the Grayling Lions Club, Ken Chapp, president, announced the selection of the "Lion of the Year" award. Arthur Carlson was selected for the award for 1991-92, and Robert Walters for 1992-93. Congratulations were given to both members. A "Lion of the Year" plaque will be placed in the Grayling museum -- Lions Room of Awards -- naming both Carlson and Walters, and future "Lion of the Year" recipients.

Card of thanks

We would like to express our thanks to Dr. McNamara, Dr. Gosling, the staff in the emergency room, the inhalation therapists, Chaplain, and nursing staff in the critical care unit, for the care and kindness to Joseph Coy, during his stay in their care. Also our heartfelt thanks to Derek McEvers, and all the family and friends for their thoughtfulness and kindness to our family in our recent loss of our father and grandfather.

The family of
Joseph Coy

OBITUARIES

Stephen Kazup

Stephen Kazup, 70, of Grayling, died Tuesday, Feb. 15, 1994, at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City. A memorial military service will be held on Saturday, March 5, 1994, at 11:30 a.m., at the Chapel at Camp Grayling.

Mr. Kazup was born Feb. 1, 1924, in Detroit, and lived in the Detroit area until moving to Grayling in 1987. He retired from the Oak Park Department of Public Safety in 1983, where he held the position of fire inspector and arson investigator after many years in the fire marshal's office. He saw and contributed to many changes and improvements in the department during his 26 year tenure.

Before going to Oak Park, he was a Detroit firefighter for 10 years. He was also involved with the Boy Scouts, and with other parents, organized a new Cub Scout pack and a new Scout troop at the Lessenger School. In addition, he was president of the Oak Park Goodfellows for several years. Another interest was the Special Olympics.

Mr. Kazup was also retired from the Michigan National Guard in 1984, where he held the rank of command sergeant major for over 20 years. His unit, the 210th Military Police Battalion, now located in Taylor, served for nine months in Saudi Arabia. During his National Guard career, he also served in the 177th and 182nd Field Artillery Battalions and was the Honorary Command Sergeant Major of the 182nd Field Artillery Regiment and held the Order of St. Barbara.

Mr. Kazup was in France and Ger-

many during World War II and the Occupation. During his more than 40 years of military service he earned the right to wear paratrooper, rigger and gunner wings, in addition to many medals and ribbons.

Mr. Kazup was preceded in death by his parents, Stephen and Margaret Kazup.

Survivors include: wife, Ruth (Jill Lingenfelter); children, James M., Stephen D., and Julie Anne; grandchildren, Kimberly D., Amber M., Danielle R., Krystin N., and Daniel M.; brothers, his twin, George M. and wife, Ellen, and Daniel J. and wife, Elisabeth; and several nieces and nephews.

The family suggest memorial donations to: 210th MP Battalion, Attn: LTC Frank Chaffe, 12450 Beech Daly Road, Taylor, MI 48180-3911.

Card of thanks

I'd like to thank all who sent flowers, cards, phone calls and visits. They were appreciated deeply. God bless you all.

A special thanks to my brother, Bob Cassidy and wife, Clara, for being there for me at Munson.

Jo Rose,
from bowling alley

Card of thanks

I would like to thank the doctors and nurses at Mercy Hospital, my family, friends for their prayers and standing by me at my time of need. Thanks so much.

Love to all,
Norm Cady

Seeley Wakeley

Seeley G. (Cy) Wakeley, 68, of Grayling, died Thursday, Feb. 24, 1994, at Mercy Hospital, Grayling. Funeral services were held Monday, Feb. 28, at 1 p.m., at Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, with Reverend Michael Conner officiating. Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery, Grayling. Military rites were conducted by representatives of the Michigan National Guard, Camp Grayling, and the American Legion Post.

Honorary pallbearers were Cy Aaron Wakeley, Michael Moshier, Roger Barber, John Hirvela, Don Romain, Ed Papendick, and Billy Williams.

Mr. Wakeley was born June 26, 1925, in Grayling. He lived in Grayling his entire life, and was a retired mechanic for the City of Grayling. He served in the U.S. Navy during WWII in the Asiatic Pacific Theatre and American Theatre of War. He was a member of American Legion Post 106, Grayling.

Mr. Wakeley was preceded in death by his parents, Barton and Bonnie (Clise) Wakeley.

Survivors include: wife, Trudie (Michalak) Wakeley; daughter, Kary and husband, Roger Moshier of Grayling; son, Seeley (Cy) and wife, Beth Wakeley of Grayling; foster son, Billy and wife, Vicki Williams of Grayling; sister, Betty Helsel of Grayling; brothers, Robert Wakeley, Larry Wakeley, Weldon Wakeley, Terry Wakeley, and James Wakeley, all of Grayling; nine grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Grayling Youth Booster Club.

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Seventh annual Pictionary Olympics set for March 18

It's time again for the seventh annual Pictionary Olympics, set for March 18. The time is 7:30 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Norway St., in Grayling.

Pictionary Olympics is sponsored by the Grayling Promotional Association and all proceeds benefit the 1994 AuSable River Festival Parade.

Whether it's a business, a service organization, or just a group of friends -- interested persons can have a team. The sponsor fee is a \$60 donation. Contestants should come dressed in T-shirts representing their business, organization or group. Trophies and lots of local publicity and admiration will be awarded to the winners.

It's helpful to get together and practice, but not a necessity, state event organizers. And, you don't have to be able to draw. Stick figures and general outlines sometimes work best.

The annual event is an evening of fun and entertainment for teams and spectators alike. Individuals can just enjoy the fun for a \$2 admission fee. The people at the K of C will be ready to serve refreshments.

If you need more information call 348-9413 after 6 p.m. and ask for Sharon Klinger or 348-3090 and ask for Carolyn DiPonio. Participants must make checks, for a \$60 donation, out to the Grayling Promotional Association and mail it to: Pictionary Olympics, c/o Dr. Carolyn DiPonio, P.O. Box 607, Grayling, MI 49738.



1993 GRAYLING PROMOTIONAL ASSOCIATION Pictionary TEAM--Shown above are (left to right) Carolyn DiPonio, Mary Jo Bickman, Deb Zelek, and Linda Stephens who were sponsored by the Grayling Promotional Association and participated in the 1993 Pictionary Olympics. The Grayling Ford team won the Pictionary Olympics last year. The event is held every year, with proceeds going to the AuSable River Festival Parade. This year's fun-filled event will be held on March 18 at 7:30 p.m. at the K of C Hall on Norway St. Anyone interested in participating in the seventh annual Pictionary Olympics are urged to contact Sharon Klinger at 348-9413 after 6 p.m.

MILITARY NEWS

Warrant officer Brian S. Yoder completed the Army's Initial Entry Rotary Wing Flight School on Jan. 24.

Academics during the 10-month course included: aeromedical training, aerodynamics, flight characteristics, rotary wing systems, meteorology, instrument flight, and numerous other subjects.

Yoder was qualified in a UH-1 Huey and later transitioned into the Army's OH-58 Kiowa Helicopter.

A formal graduation will be held at Fort Rucker, AL, on March 4. Yoder is reassigned to Fort Bragg, NC, where he will be accompanied by his wife, Robin, and two sons, Joshua and Brandon.

Warrant Officer Yoder is a 1982 GHS graduate and is the son of Judy Waite of Roscommon and Larry Yoder of Grayling.

Marine Gunnery Sgt. William J. Good, son of Harold and Flora Good of 2597 Burdell Rd., Roscommon,

Follies to meet on March 17

There will be an organizational meeting of the members of the newly organized Grayling Milltown Follies at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 17, at the Grayling Senior Citizens Center.

Any person who is at least 50 years old and who would like to participate in this year's follies production is cordially invited to attend this meeting.

The newly elected board of directors will hold their meeting at 3:30 p.m. the same day at the center.

recently departed for a six-month Iwakuni, Japan deployment with Marine Attack Squadron 513, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Corps Air Station, Yuma, AZ.

Good is one of 260 Marines from the squadron which will be supporting the Marine Expeditionary Unit in the region. The squadron will be conducting a wide range of air-to-

ground and air-to-air expeditionary field training. VMA-513 flies the AV-8 Harrier "Jump Jet."

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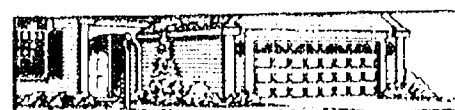
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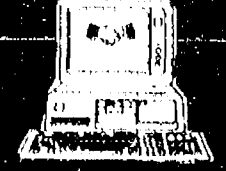
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World Day of Prayer, observed on Friday, March 4, is an annual event that unites Protestants, Roman Catholic, Orthodox and other Christian women in 170 countries and regions of the world.

This year a group of ecumenical Christian women of Palestine have written prayers and worship for this 107th observance, using the theme "Go, See and Act." It has been translated into hundreds of languages and dialects for use around the world in thousands of services on March 4th.

These Christian women of Palestine are calling us to balance our interest in the biblical aspect of Palestine with careful study of the present situation of the people there. "As the Bible tells us about many periods of violence, so it also tells us that God asks that we do justice, walk humbly and love mercy."

All Christian women (and men) are invited to join in this year's celebration of World Day of Prayer at St. John Lutheran Church, 710 Spruce, Grayling, Friday, March 4 at 1 p.m.

MERCY HOSPITAL BIRTHS

The following parents are proud to announce their recent arrivals at Grayling Mercy Hospital:

Brian and Vikki Moore of Evart: Jacob Thomas, Feb. 13, 1994, 10 lbs., 5 ozs.

Joyce Plunkett of Grayling: Mikaela Jean, Feb. 13, 1994, 5 lbs., 9 ozs.

Lloyd and Kathy Danner of Roscommon: Rachel Elizabeth, Feb.

12, 1994, 8 lbs., 3 ozs.

Joe Rice Jr. and Dawn Brown of Roscommon: Derek Joseph, Feb. 11, 1994, 6 lbs., 6 ozs.

Jim and Catherine Walker of Roscommon: Kali Marie, Feb. 17, 1994.

Eugene and Pamela Christner of Houghton Lake: Justin Scott, Feb. 16, 1994, 9 lbs., 3 ozs.

BITS OF TALK

By Fay Bovee

Griffin Arthur Dean has arrived to join the rest of the family consisting of Zachary, 5 years old, Spencer, 2 years old, and mom and dad, Dr. William and Cory Dean. He was born on Feb. 22, 1994, at Munson Medical Center, Traverse City, and weighed 6 pounds, 9 ounces. Grandparents are Amber Meech, Jon Stevens and the late Betty Stevens, all of Grayling. Great grandmothers are Corrine Geake of Grayling and Elaine Dean of Glenburnie, MD.

Cathy Lester of Perranporth, England, is spending two weeks visiting her mother, Mrs. Faith Stripe. She enjoyed a winter canoe trip with Mike Gardiner and wife, Betty Loth.

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The Bible Speaks From the Calvary Baptist Church

A Non Human Mother?

A scientist in Scotland has discovered a method of taking eggs from the ovaries of aborted female fetuses, fertilizing them and implanting them in the wombs of infertile women. By this scenario, a liberated woman could sever the sex organ of her lover, abort the unwanted female fetus in her womb, and still become a grandmother without giving birth to a single human being. The granddaughter born under such circumstances could then ask, "grandmother, what did your abortion do to your daughter and my real mother?"

Increased viability and even test tube babies could not convince liberals of the humanity of the fetus. Now for a fetus to be the mother of a human being without ever being recognized as a human person cannot be logically explained. George Annas, director of the Law, Medicine and Ethics Program at the Boston University medical school calls this "so grotesque as to be unbelievable." This would require

calling the fetus a human being who is genetically complete with inherent reproductive capacity.

President Clinton has by executive order authorized the harvesting of tissue from aborted fetuses for medical purposes. A revised health care system may one day force tax payers to pay for such actions. Will scientists soon remove eggs from aborted fetuses at our expense, and without permission from the mother fetus, create mechanical wombs which will incubate these non-human beings for organ harvest? Would they allow some to mature creating a new slave class of non-humans? Today it is mice, tomorrow men?

A woman's right to her own body may now justify severing a male reproductive organ, and even destroying an innocent human life within her womb. Yet, a pro-life protester for displaying the same discarded evidence of this woman's rights in front of an abortion clinic may now be legally tried in a court of law as a dangerous racketeer under RICO (Racketeering Influenced and

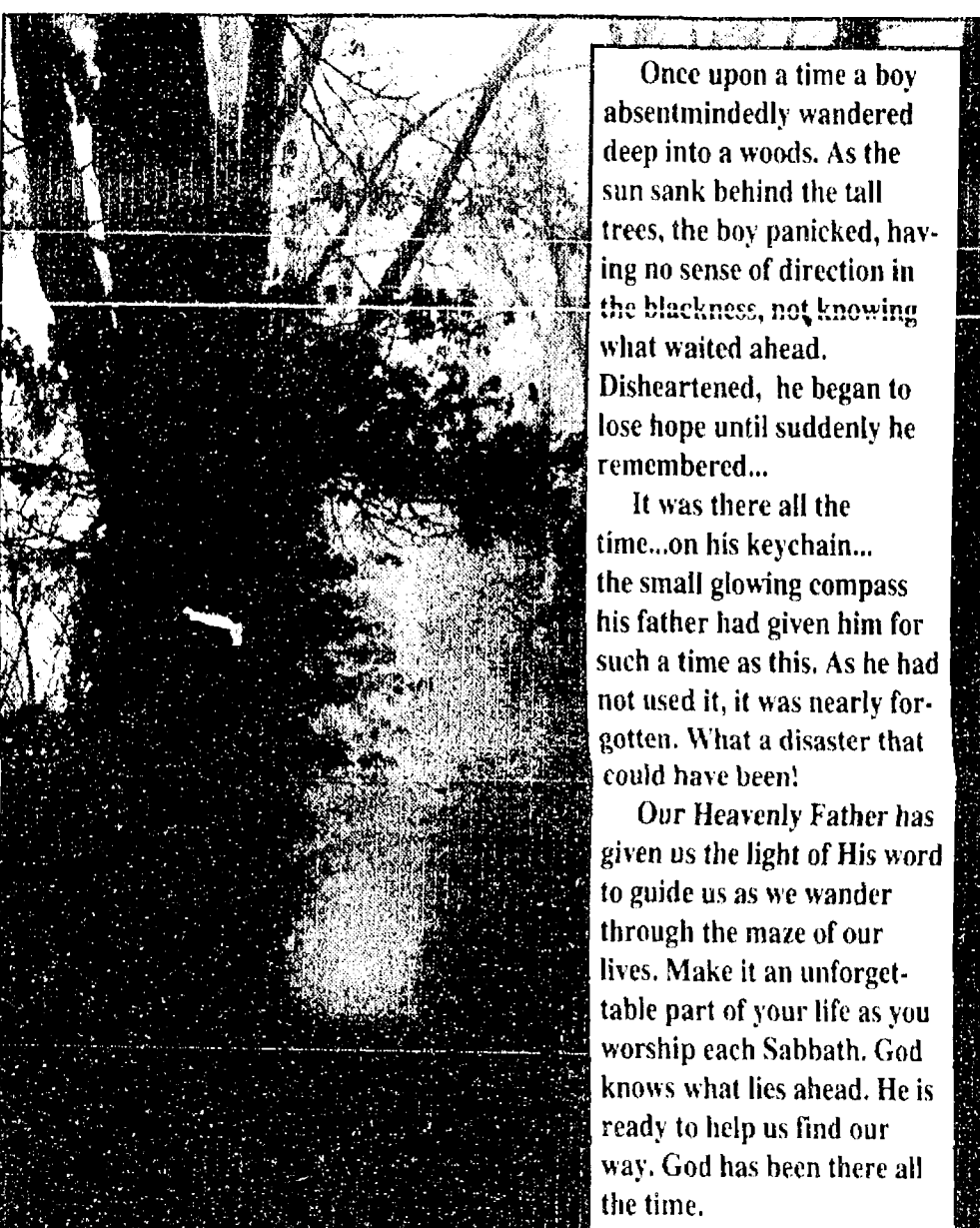
Corrupt Organizations Act). The Supreme Court will now allow pro-life protesters to be tried as criminal racketeers and their pro-life organizations as corrupt gangster organizations. I believe God's judgment is already falling on America for such ungodly, insane, humanistic injustice!

In Exodus 21:22-25, God wrote special laws to protect pregnant women and their babies. Injury to a pregnant woman resulting in a normal birth with no complications was still to be punished. (Verse 22). Extended damage to either mother or baby was to result in severe punishment in proportion to the crime. (Verses 23-25). "Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!" (ISA. 5:20).

Pastor "B"

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Once upon a time a boy absentmindedly wandered deep into a woods. As the sun sank behind the tall trees, the boy panicked, having no sense of direction in the blackness, not knowing what waited ahead.

Disheartened, he began to lose hope until suddenly he remembered...

It was there all the time...on his keychain...the small glowing compass his father had given him for such a time as this. As he had not used it, it was nearly forgotten. What a disaster that could have been!

Our Heavenly Father has given us the light of His word to guide us as we wander through the maze of our lives. Make it an unforgettable part of your life as you worship each Sabbath. God knows what lies ahead. He is ready to help us find our way. God has been there all the time.

There all the time

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Psalms 4	Psalms 5	Philippians 1-11	Colossians 4:2-5	2 Samuel 7:18-29	2 Kings 19:1-19	Jeremiah 32:16-35

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Pastor Dale Hammond
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7 p.m.

Christ Missionary
Minister H.A. Hennig
4 Mi. East of Frederic
County Rd. 612
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Worship & Praise 11 a.m.
Sun. Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer, Bible Study 6 p.m.

Christian Science Society
209 First St. -- Suite 103 -- Gaylord
Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.
April through October
2nd Wednesday 8 p.m.

Michelson Memorial
United Methodist Church
Pastor Doug Paterson
400 Michigan Ave.
Sunday Worship 8:30 & 11 a.m.
Sunday School 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Coffee Fellowship 10:30-11 a.m.
Bible Study (Wed.) 10 a.m.

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Phone 348-4445
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in 1st building on the right off new
entrance road.
Church Service 9:30 a.m.
Sabbath School 10:30 a.m.
Prayer Meeting Tues 7 p.m.

Grayling Assembly of God
Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor
Old 27 North, 701 Grayling Rd.
Church - 348-8885
Parsonage 348-2588
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday - Family Night
Adult-Youth-Children Sessions 7 p.m.

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Zone 11, 106 James St. • Houghton Lake
Sunday Ser. & Sunday School • 11 a.m.
1st Wednesday (April-Oct.) • 7:30 p.m.

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Pastor Jim Van Lier 348-7699
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Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

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Rev. John Shipman
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Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
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Of Latter Day Saints
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Church School 9:45 a.m.
Preaching 11 a.m.
Midweek Service Prayer 7 p.m.

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415 Ohio North
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

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702 Peninsular - 348-7657
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Sunday 9 & 11 a.m.
Weekday Mass
Tuesday 8 a.m.
Wednesday 10 a.m.
Thursday 8 a.m.
Friday 8 a.m.
Confession Saturday 4 p.m.

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Rev. Lawrence Cook
250 Lake St. • Roscommon
275-5309
Sunday School 9:45
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Family Night 7 p.m.

Lovells Chapel
Pastor Gary Hopp
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Chapel Service 11 a.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7-8 p.m.

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Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor
M-72 West
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Mid-Week Services
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed) ... 7 p.m.

Church of Christ
Gordon French Minister
Old US 27 at Skyline Rd.
348-8573
Sunday School 10:15 a.m.
Communion & Preaching 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday
Mid-week Bible Study 7 p.m.

Bear Lake Christian
M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.
Sunday School 9 a.m.
Sunday Service 10 a.m.

The Church of Christ
with the Eliza Message
Pastor Dohn E. Weaver
7662 Kelly Ave. - Frederic
Sunday Worship 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 7 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7 p.m.

Abundant Life Tabernacle
Pastor Don Brigham
211 Shellenbarger St.
Grayling, Mich.
Sunday Morning 10 a.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

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Meeting at 501 Michigan Avenue
(517) 348-2557
Sunday Bible Study 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:45 p.m.
Wednesday Services 7 p.m.

AuSable Valley Church Of God
6330 Johnson - Frederic
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Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Services 7 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Service 7 p.m.
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month after morning service.

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Joseph Carpenter - Pastor
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Morning Service 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7 p.m.

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Lutheran -- Missouri Synod
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Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Weekday School (Tuesday) 5 p.m.

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WEEKLY FEATURES

VERSE OR WORSE

By Joe Murphy

The Sinking Ship

Our ship of state once regal and proud
With a honest, God-fearing crew
And an experienced captain at the wheel
Followed a course straight and true

It offered man the freedom to choose
His career or line of work
With no provision to provide a living
For those who chose to shirk

A man was expected to work and provide for family
And God help the man who walked away
And left his family to be cared for by others
For he became an outcast in that day

Back then if a man committed a crime
He was sent to prison to pay a price
For his crime against society
And those prisons were not so nice

Then the crews that manned the ship
Let rust and corrosion gain the upper hand
And the captain was so busy playing politics
That he had no time to take command

Our ship of state became a rusty old hulk
So leaky it was about to sink
And the politicians knew they better save it
Or it would raise a nasty stink

They appointed a committee to study the problem
After long study the answer came about
Just drill a lot of holes in the bottom
To let all that water out



CHOW NEEDS A HOME--This 4-month-old male chow mix puppy is very friendly and housebroken. If you would like to adopt him, or any of the other animals at the shelter, stop by or call 348-4117.

PET CARE TIPS

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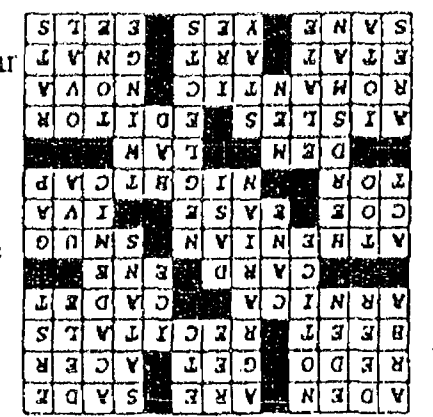
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21. Calling
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24. Certain Greek
28. Complacent
31. Sheep disease
32. Ameliorate
33. Marsh elder
34. Pointed hill
35. End-of-day drink
38. Democracy, abbr.
41. Statute
42. Walkways
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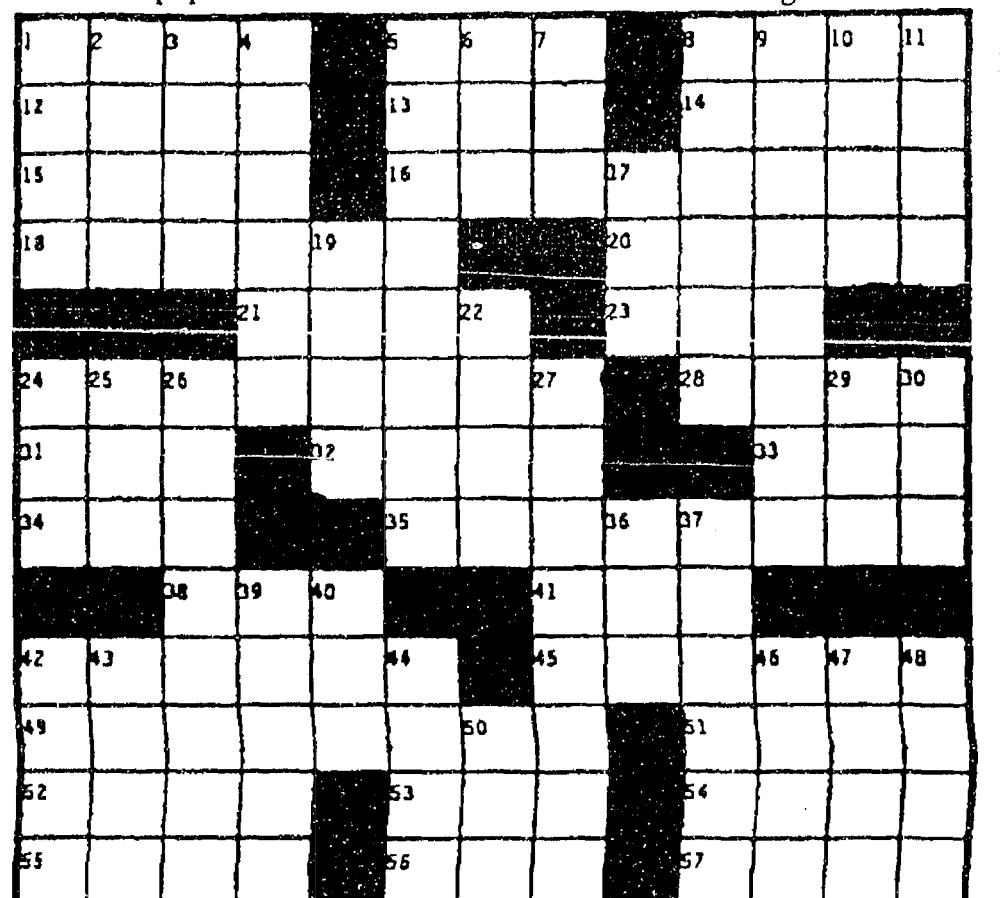
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11. Former
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19. Thrash
22. Hindu female slave
24. Perform

THIS WEEK'S PUZZLE ANSWERS



25. Also
26. Shepherd
27. Disregards
29. Grape
30. Space
36. Owned
37. Feel sudden pain
39. Make happy
40. Troops
42. Zeus' son
43. Greek letter
44. Remain
46. Accent
47. Egg-shaped
48. Rodents
50. Anger



A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 years ago March 4, 1971

With an assist from Kalkaska, the Grayling Vikings won its second straight Northern Lower Michigan League title Friday night with a 78-71 win over Pellston on the Homestead court, while the Blue Blazers bombed the Harbor Springs Rams in a 84-40 upset.

The win over Pellston gave Coach Tom St. Germain's Vikings undisputed first place with an 11-3 record, with Harbor dropping to second at 10-4.

Mother Nature cooperated very well on Saturday, Feb. 27, to create an atmosphere in the logging camp at Hartwick Pines State Park that was quite fitting for the Boy Scout's Klondike Derby.

Competitive events were log sawing, axemanship, rescue of logging victims, winter survival, snowshoe races, and a quiz on the tour of the Pines and museum, conducted and interpreted by Wendall Hoover.

Last Friday evening, shortly after six o'clock, about 80 percent of the roof of the former Grayling Bottling Co., located on Cedar St., caved in due to the heavy snow. The structure has been unoccupied since last fall when the Grayling Bottling Co. was purchased from Mr. and Mrs. Hal Walker, and the business was moved to Traverse City.

Mrs. Harold Drake returned home last Tuesday after spending two weeks in Fort Lauderdale, FL., visiting Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cogan. Mrs. Richard Lippard and Mrs. Gene Case picked

her up at Tri-City Airport on her return.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wright spent three weeks in Phoenix, AZ, recently, going because of the illness of his father. They returned home on Friday, Feb. 19, in the ice storm, after leaving there in 80 degree weather.

Gayla Peterson had the misfortune to break her leg at the Regional ski races at Traverse City a week ago last Friday.

During halftime of the Mancelona game, mothers of the Viking varsity cage squad were introduced and presented corsages. Attending were Ilene St. Germain, mother of Coach Tom St. Germain, Mesdames Betty Miller, Eleanor McIsaac, Freda Elenbaas, Ethel Parkinson, Monica Weideman, Dula Fitzpatrick, Eileen Green, Nita Millikin, Capitola Westervelt, Maureen McNamara, Mrs. Niederer, Ruth Ellis and Gloria Neilson.

Airman Michael Roper is spending some time at home with his family, the Roy Ropers. He will leave March 14 to go to Taiwan, where he will be stationed for 15 months. A family dinner was held at the Marshall Sisco home at Higgins Lake on Thursday evening. Attending were Mrs. Mary Sisco, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Roper, Mike and Tracy.

Word was received last week that the title role of Mame Dennis in the Department of Vocal Music's upcoming production of the Broadway Musical Mame will be played by Jackie Small, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Small of Grayling.

Alfred "Chuck" Theaker, repairman for Top O' Michigan Rural Electric Co., was injured last Thursday morning while riding his snowmobile on power line patrol checking on damaged lines following the ice storm that hit on Friday.

He was taken to Mercy Hospital where a number of stitches were required to close the cut on his chin and the right side of his face. He then went back out with the crew and back to work.

New awards in the Bear Archery employee suggestion plan were announced last week. Recent recipients of cash awards from Fred Bear were Bill Cox, Frank Prentice, Jim MacQue, Larry Pratt, Barbara Hinkle and Emma Brown.

46 years ago March 4, 1948

In a club business session following their weekly get together meal at the Michelson Memorial Church parlors

last Monday evening, the Kiwanis Club of Grayling voted to sponsor a home talent play some time in April.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Robarge wish to announce the recent marriage of their daughter, Ilene, to Harold A. Hatfield, Jr.

A few friends helped Jackie and Gladwin Bindshatell celebrate their birthdays last Saturday afternoon. Games were the order of the day. Lunch was served.

Mrs. A. D. Leng is visiting in Saginaw with her daughter, Mrs. Guy Kellogg. A. D. Leng and son, Teddy, left for Saginaw to see his daughter, Cheryl Suzanne Kellogg.

The Roy Johnson family have moved to Maple Forest from Grayling, to their new home, the former Richter farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Gardner and son, Michael, of Detroit, accompanied Mrs. George Skingley home Friday. Mrs. Gardner and baby will remain for a two-week visit with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Coon of Lake Margrethe celebrated their silver anniversary Tuesday evening, Feb. 24. Among the guests were Rev. and Mrs. Puffer, Jack McMillan and wife and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilkinson and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schultz.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Widman left Sunday, he for Indianapolis, IN, on business, and she to visit her mother, Mrs. Bertha Hurst in Lansing for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Meech and daughter, Amber, are occupying the Nawatny apartment on Cedar Street.

Mrs. Tom Robertson was a substitute teacher for Mrs. Emil Giegling in the fourth grade on Friday and for Mrs. Edgar Caid in the third grade on Monday.

Captain and Mrs. C. J. Brinker of St. Clair and Captain Leo Brissette and son, Bob, of Bay City were guests for a week of the J. E. Bugby family.

Mrs. John Neucendorf (Veronica Lovely) has returned to Grayling after spending last week in Bay City.

Catoline Long celebrated her birthday on Friday and invited 24 of her girl friends in to help her.

Mr. and Mrs. Thane Hendershot of Grand Rapids, spent the weekend visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Peterson. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hoffman of Alpena were here recently, he for the weekend and she to spend the week.

Mrs. Gordon Pond and daughter, Cheryl, are back home after spending three weeks in Detroit visiting her

mother, Mrs. George T. Woods and Mrs. H. Thibodeau.

Mrs. Thomas Cassidy and Mrs. Louis Kessler left Wednesday to make an indefinite stay in Tucson, AZ. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Trudgeon drove them as far as Grand Rapids, expecting to return Thursday.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gene Harmer at Mercy Hospital, Feb. 28.

A few friends gathered at the Alfred Hanson home Saturday evening to celebrate Mr. Hanson's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Leng of Frederic have gone to Ashtabula, OH, for two weeks.

69 years ago March 5, 1925

Monday saw the changing in ownership of one of our best established business places when Addison M. Lewis sold his drug business to Charles McNamara and James Gidley, druggists of East Jordan. Mr. Lewis came to Grayling 17 years ago and purchased the drug business then owned and operated by L. Fournier.

District Warden John Speck of Fairview will succeed District Warden Reuben S. Babbitt of Grayling, it was announced yesterday at the Department of Conservation. Mr. Babbitt will assume the less arduous duties of deputy game and fish warden.

Attorney Merle F. Nellist has purchased the property of W. H. Keitzbeck on Park Street.

Arthur Karpus of the Pulaski Post basketball team is spending a few days visiting Grayling friends, the guest of Clarence Johnson.

Miss Margaret Douglas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Douglas, who is attending Central Normal at Ypsilanti, has the honor of having been elected a member of Beta Chapter of Theta Sigma Upsilon fraternity.

T. W. Hanson was a delegate from Crawford County at the State Republican convention in Detroit last week.

The Bates family have received the glad news of the birth of a daughter, Elizabeth Kathryn to Lt. and Mrs. Russell Emerson Bates on Friday, Feb. 26, at Westfield, NJ.

Mr. and Mrs. James Jorgenson are enjoying a brief visit from their son, Axel, who is employed in Chicago.

Miss Betty Welsh was much surprised when she came home from school to find a group of her young friends to honor her on her tenth birthday.

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Transfer tax to go up .75 percent

By Rachael A. Sweeny
Capital News Service

Whether or not Proposal A passes the March 15 ballot, Michigan home sellers will be stuck with at least a .75 percent transfer tax to be paid on the sale of their homes.

Right now, the transfer tax is .11 percent, but it was designated to increase to two percent if Proposal A passed or one percent if it was defeated. Senators passed legislation Thursday limiting the change in the real estate transfer tax to .75 percent.

Sen. Jim Berryman, D-Adrian, said he was bothered with the politics of the transfer tax because he believes it was lowered to appease special interest

groups and insure passage of Proposal A.

"The governor was taking severe criticism [for the tax increase]," he added.

Berryman said that even at a three-fourths percent rate the tax will have an adverse affect on home sales. The banking, real estate and home building industries have expressed concern over the tax's possible impact on business.

Joan Mata, a realtor with ERA Laboe Real Estate in Monroe, said she has been making sellers aware of the tax.

"Some people interested in selling their houses said they might sell this year before [the transfer tax] goes into effect," Mata said. "Not too many

people know about the transfer tax and we don't know what kind of effect it will have on them."

Mata said in a net sheet provided to sellers, commission, title, license and other figures are taken out of a home's sale price, with the bottom number being the seller's net profit. With the transfer tax, the bottom figure will be even lower.

Take, for example, a \$100,000 home. At the present 0.11 percent, the transfer tax cuts \$110 from the net profit, or 11 cents on every \$1,000. A three-fourths percent tax will cost the seller \$750, or 75 cents for every \$1,000. The original

one and two percent taxes included in Proposal A and the back-up plan would have cost sellers \$1,000 and \$2,000.

Richard Montcalm, assistant superintendent for business and finance for Monroe Public Schools, said he and other administrators don't feel it is a valid tax to be used to finance the schools.


"It's hitting the households again," Montcalm said. "If there were no property tax millage on the reform, I could understand. But there is a millage already."

The Michigan Association of Realtors (MAR) supported the Senate's move to limit the transfer tax increase.

The opinion of this organization is that it is a poor tax to be used to fund schools," said Bill Wortz, MAR legislative liaison. "It's a volatile tax, you never know how much money it will bring in because it is based on home sales."

Wortz said the organization opposes any increase in the real estate transfer tax.



"Members have been telling us the tax will hurt them," he said. "People are not going to be selling like before and our members make their money turning over homes."



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GHS Players to present *The Sting*

The Grayling High School Players are in the process of practicing for the spring play, *The Sting*, by David Rogers, to be presented on March 11 and 12.

"It [the play] has a lot of potential and also includes lots of spectacular special effects," said Director Jim Lewis.

The Sting is Mr. Lewis' second play at GHS. He previously directed the fall play, *Up the Down Staircase*. He also has directed three middle school plays.

Mr. Lewis will be assisted in the directing booth by new director Douglas Wendling, a 1993 alumnus.

Tryouts for *The Sting* were held Jan. 13 and 14 after school until 6:30 p.m. Rehearsals began the following Monday, and will be held every school

day plus Saturdays until opening night of the play, on Friday, March 11.

Running to 5:30 on weekdays, rehearsals usually consist of getting into character, practicing each act and blocking.

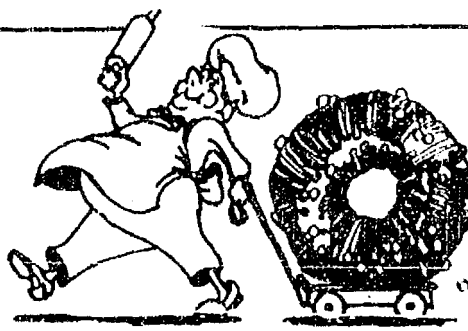
The Sting, based on the screenplay by the same name, is about two, small-time con men who set out to outwit a powerful mob leader.

With a cast of about 50 players this is one of the largest casts in recent history of GHS. "We have a very well prepared cast," said Lewis.

The play will be presented at 8 p.m. each night in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium. Tickets will be sold at the door or can be bought from Mr. Lewis, the cast or crew.

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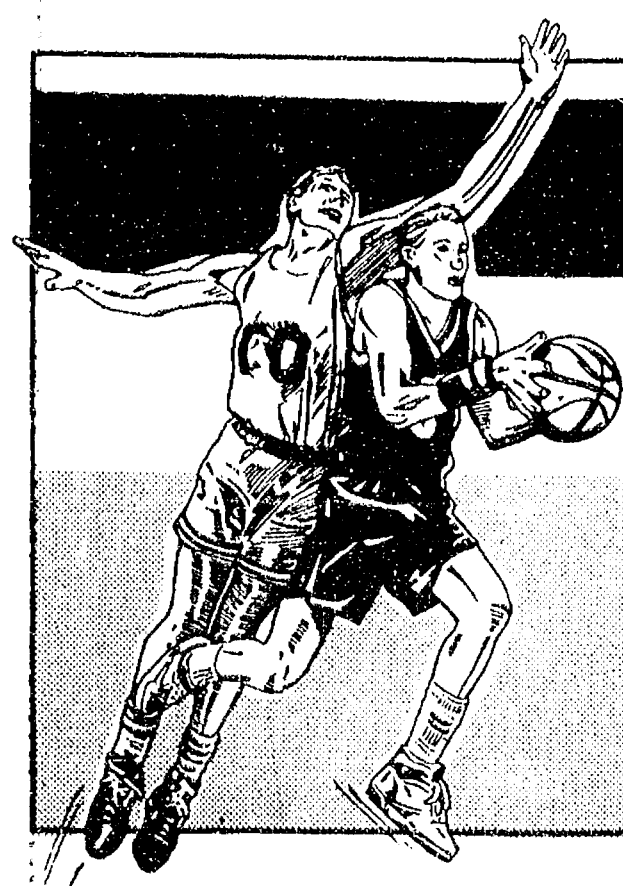


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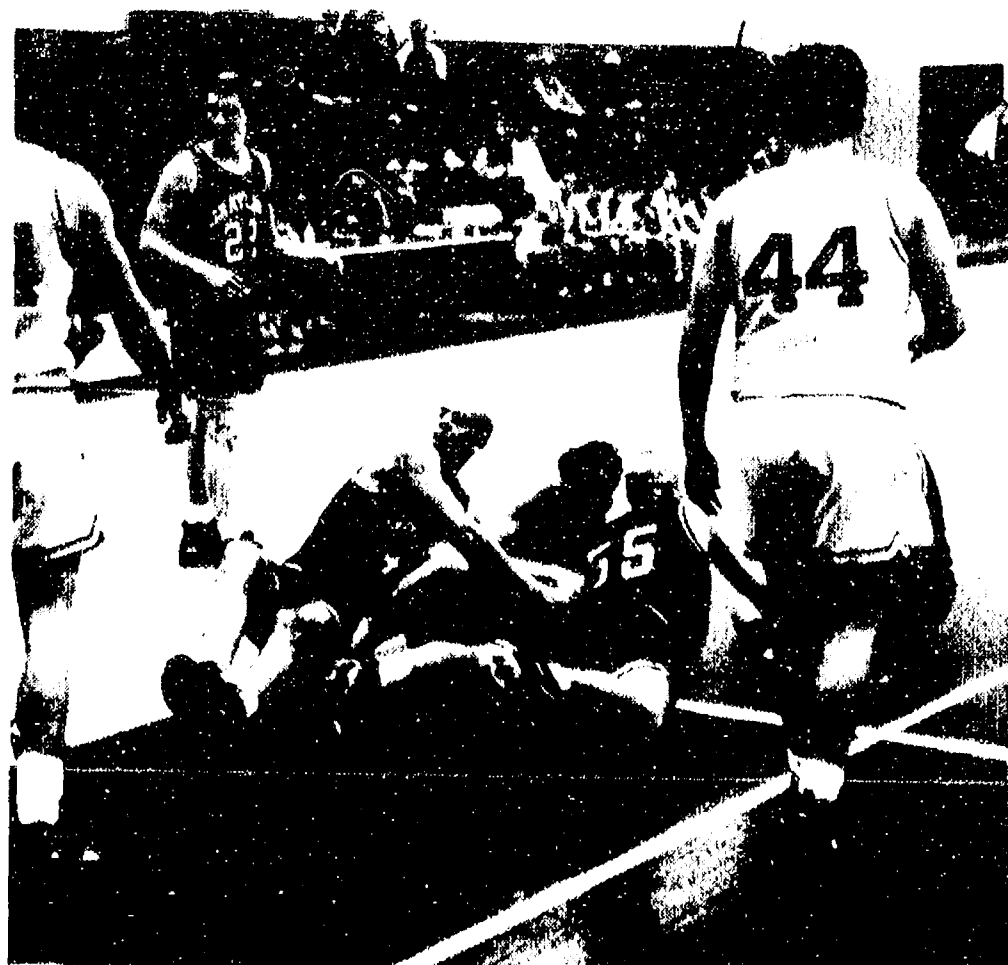


VIKING BASKETBALL TEAM--(Front) Statisticians Kate Callewaert, Stacy Austin; (Center) Chris DiPonio, Chris Jones, Tim Donahoe, Brian Dunckley, Shane Hinkle, Kris Andersen; (Back) Coach Tom Mills, Charlie Kucharek, Scott Longendyke, Ben Croze, Chris Wolcott, Jeff Mier, Assistant Coach Chris Dunckley. Not pictured, Team Manager Steve Anderson.

ANDERSEN SHOOT--Senior point-guard Kris Andersen goes up for the jump shot as teammates Shane Hinkle (L) and Jeff Mier (R) watch, waiting for the rebound. Andersen is the Great Northern Conference, Huron Division scoring leader with a 24 point per game average.

The Vikings begin their official March madness basketball tournament on Thursday, March 10, when they challenge the rival Gaylord Blue Devils.

Player biographies and other tournament related stories can be found on pages 2B through 4B.



THAT'S OUR BALL!--Viking players Jeff Mier (L-center) and Chris DiPonio scramble for the ball with their Rogers City Huron opponent while Kris Andersen looks for the referee's decision.

The Vikings went on to win the contest by the score of 88-41, making an 8-0 clean sweep of Huron Division opponents.

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LOCAL
SPORTS

Five teams to vie for district title

Michigan high school district basketball tournament action kicks off on Monday, March 7, at numerous sites around the state. The Grayling Vikings will travel to Cheboygan to take on tournament foes, Sault Ste. Marie, Cheboygan, Gaylord and Petoskey.

The action begins in Cheboygan on Tuesday, March 8, when the Cheboygan Chiefs host the Sault Ste. Marie Blue Devils.

On Thursday, March 10, the Petoskey Northmen will challenge the winner of the Cheboygan-Soo game, and the Vikings play against longtime rival Gaylord.

The winner of the Petoskey game and the winner of the Grayling-Gaylord game go head-to-head for the district championship on Saturday, March 12.

Sault Ste. Marie Blue Devils

Sault Ste. Marie is a member of the Michigan Huron Shores Conference that includes Gaylord, Petoskey, Cheboygan and St. Ignace.

Under first year coach John Gilbert, the Blue Devils are coming off a difficult season which saw them win just two conference games. Their latest victory was a huge win over the

Petoskey Northmen on Friday, Feb. 25.

"We led at the end of the third in our first seven games," Gilbert said. "We lost six of those games."

The Blue Devils are neither tall, nor fast, according to Gilbert, who said because of that fact his team plays a controlled style of basketball.

Gilbert predicted Petoskey as the team to beat in the district tournament. "I don't know anything about Grayling, but I know Gaylord has also been playing well."

Gaylord Blue Devils

Longtime coach Tom Johnson and his Gaylord Blue Devils are the unanimous dark horse in the upcoming district tournament, according to the other coaches.

As a member of the tough Michigan Huron Shores Conference, Gaylord beat both Cheboygan and Sault Ste. Marie, but lost to Petoskey. In non-conference play, the Blue Devils also dropped two games to Grayling. Their overall record has hovered around the .500 mark all season.

Gaylord is big, with one hoopster at 6'5", another at 6'6" and third towering to 6'8", but their lack of speed dictates they play a controlled game with emphasis on rebounding. When they are hitting, Gaylord can be a threat from the perimeter, scoring points in bunches.

Petoskey Northmen

Coach Dennis Starkey's Northmen have to be the favorites going into district play. They have enjoyed an excellent season in a very tough conference, and currently carry a 15-3 record with losses to Boyne City, St. Ignace and Sault Ste. Marie.

The biggest victory of the year for the Northmen was probably a one-point victory over the Class-A Traverse City Trojans.

The Petoskey team is big and fast. An exceptional pair of guards shoot well from the perimeter and drive to the basket. Their speed makes them a constant fast break threat, and their pressure defense causes turnovers.

Petoskey usually doesn't score a lot of points, preferring a control style game, but when necessary they convert to a run-and-gun style easily.

Cheboygan Chiefs

The Chiefs, under first year coach Denny Jewell, have stayed at about .500 in conference play, but have done much better overall.

Jewell described his team as,

Great Northern Conference, Huron Shores Division, varsity basketball standings as of Feb. 28, 1994.

Team	Conference	Overall
*Grayling	8-0	16-2
Whittemore-Prescott	3-4	10-8
Onaway	3-5	8-10
Rogers City	3-5	10-8
Lincoln-Alcona	2-5	9-8

*conference champion

1993-94 Grayling Viking varsity basketball season.

Score	Score	Record
Grayling 76	Kalkaska 46	1-0
Grayling 78	Elk Rapids 72	2-0
Grayling 87	Onaway 51*	3-0
Grayling 78	Boyne City 56	4-0
Grayling 80	Gaylord 56	5-0
Grayling 86	Alcona 58*	6-0
Grayling 47	Petoskey 68	6-1
Grayling 73	Whittemore-Prescott 67*	7-1
Grayling 69	Roscommon 62	8-1
Grayling 75	Rogers City 57*	9-1
Grayling 85	Kalkaska 52	10-1
Grayling 67	Onaway 45*	11-1
Grayling 74	Gaylord 62	12-1
Grayling 60	Petoskey 67	12-2
Grayling 81	Roscommon 62	13-2
Grayling 80	Alcona 48*	14-2
Grayling 88	Rogers City 41*	15-2
Grayling 94	Whittemore-Prescott 52*	16-2
Total points 1376		1022
Avg. points 76		57

* denotes Great Northern Conference, Huron Division games.



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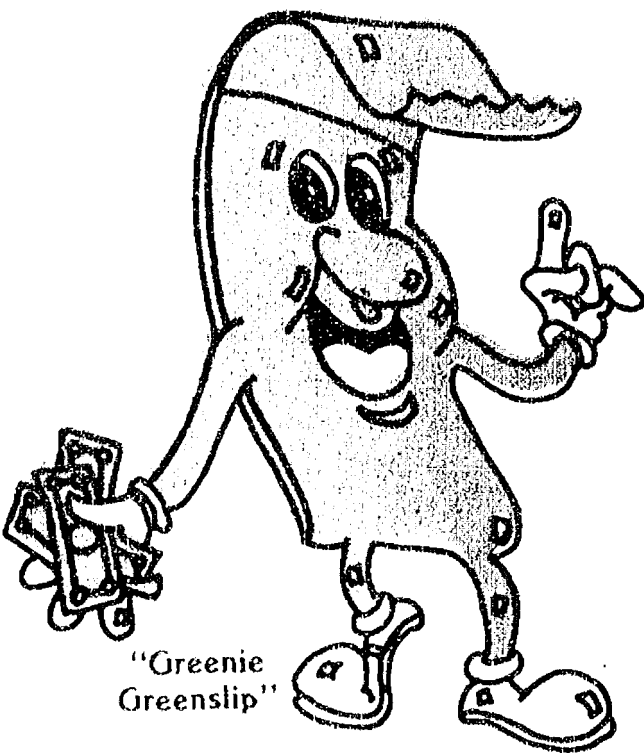
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"Decent size, decent rebounding, a perimeter shooting team."

The Chiefs perimeter shooting is led by the Michigan Huron Shores Conference leading scorer, averaging more than 20 points per game.

Jewell also chose Petoskey as the team to beat in the district tournament. "Gaylord and Sault Ste. Marie are also playing tough," Jewell added.

Grayling Vikings

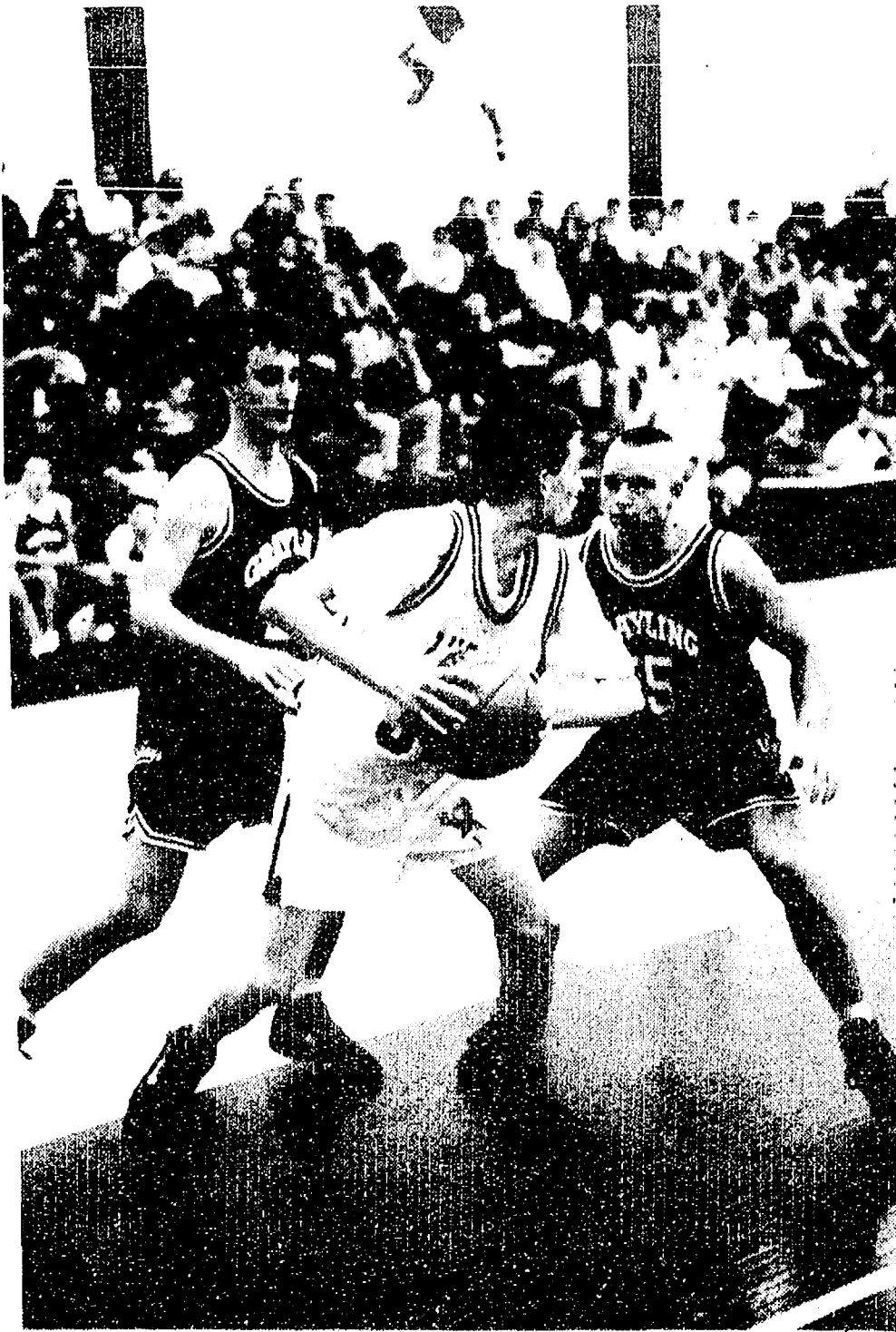
Viking coach Tom Mills, in his seventh and last season as the Vikings coach said, "It's a wide open district this year. You can throw out the season records, the team with the best draw will win."

The Vikings are the only team in the Cheboygan district that are not in the Michigan Huron Shores Conference, although they have played both Petoskey and Gaylord, losing two from Petoskey, winning two from Gaylord.

The Vikings boast one of the leading scorers in northern Michigan in senior guard Kris Andersen, who has hit the hoop at better than a 24-point per game average.

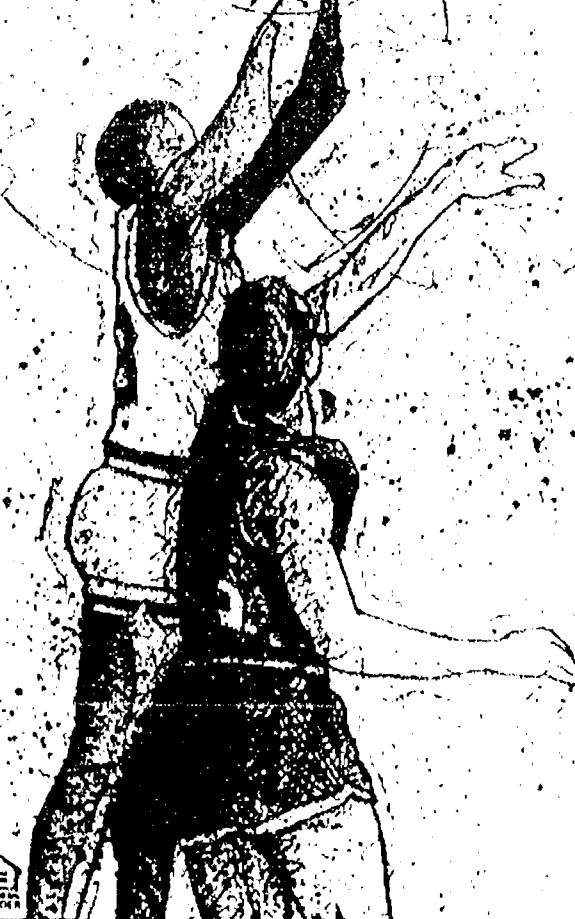
Defense is the key for the Vikings. Their run-and-gun attack is fueled by steals and opponent turnovers. Because of their aggressive, in-your-face-type defense, the Vikings sometimes get into foul trouble.

When asked, every Viking team member wanted and predicted a Petoskey-Grayling matchup in the finals, and to a man they said Petoskey can't beat them three times in one year.



VIKING DEFENSE IN ACTION--Vikings Shane Hinkle (L) and Chris DiPonio (R) move in on an opponent to show him some of their stingy, in-your-face style of defense. The Viking defense has only allowed their opponents an average of 57 points-per-game this season.

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Chris Wolcott - # 33
Wolcott, 17, is a senior, two-year veteran of the Viking squad. He describes this year's team as "quick," and said the season highlight was beating Boyne City when they were sixth in the state in Class-C rankings. Chris attributes his team's success to the fact that, "We like each other."
Chris would like to go to CMU after graduation to become a wildlife biologist. He is the son of Fred and Barbara Wolcott of Grayling."

Ben Croze - # 40
Croze, 16, is a junior, and first-year Viking. He describes this year's team as "above average," and said the season highlight was the come from behind victory over Gaylord. Ben attributes his team's success to the fact that, "We all get along and we know how we each play."
Ben would like to receive a small college scholarship to play basketball. He is the son of Mike and Jane Croze of Grayling.

Jeff Mier - # 41
Mier, 18, is a senior, two-year veteran of the Vikingsquad. He describes this year's team as "unique," and said the season highlight is the 16-2 team record. Jeff attributes his team's success to the fact that, "We all get along."
Jeff is planning to go into the Coast Guard after graduation to become a rescue swimmer. He is the son of Sally and the late Ralph Mier.

Shane Hinkle - # 21
Hinkle, 16, is a junior, and two-year veteran on the Viking squad. He describes this year's team as "united," and said the season highlight was winning the conference championship. Hinkle attributes his team's success to the fact that, "We play as a team and look for the open guy."
Shane is undecided about which college he will go to, but he said he would like to play college basketball. He is the son of Doug and Mary Hinkle.

Kris Andersen - # 22
Andersen, 18, is a senior, two-year Viking veteran. He describes this year's team as "united," and said the season highlight was the come from behind victory over Gaylord. Kris attributes his team's success to the fact that, "We're friends. We get along together."
Kris would like to play basketball in college, but isn't sure where he will go. He is the son of Tom Mills and Nancy Andersen.

Tim Donahoe - # 20
Donahoe, 18, is a senior, two-year veteran of the Viking squad. Tim describes this year's team as "together," and said the season highlight is the 16-2 team record. He attributes his team's success to the fact that, "We play good together."
Tim is planning to go into the Marine Corps after graduation and hopes to become involved with nuclear security. He is the son of Butch and Deb Donahoe.



Chris DiPonio - # 55
DiPonio, 17, is a senior. This is his first year on the Viking squad. He describes this year's team as "intense," and said the season highlight was the come from behind victory over Gaylord. Chris attributes his team's success to the fact that, "We get along with each other." Chris isn't sure what he will do after graduation, but he is thinking of going into the military. He is the son of Michael and Carolyn DiPonio of Grayling.

Scott Longendyke - #50
Longendyke, 16, is a junior, and first-year Viking. He describes this year's team as "a family," and said the season highlight was the come from behind victory over Gaylord. He attributes his team's success to the fact that, "We play together and trust each other." Scott is planning to go to MSU or U-M after graduation, and would maybe like to play college football or baseball. Scott is the son of Richard and Susan Longendyke.

Charlie Kucharek - #30
Kucharek, 16, a junior, is a first-year Viking. He describes this year's team as "outstanding," and said the season highlight is the 16-2 overall team record. Kucharek attributes his team's success to "Our intensity and skill." Kucharek is unsure about what he wants to do after graduation, but said maybe he would like to go through ROTC. Charlie is the son of Mike and Wendy Kucharek of Grayling.

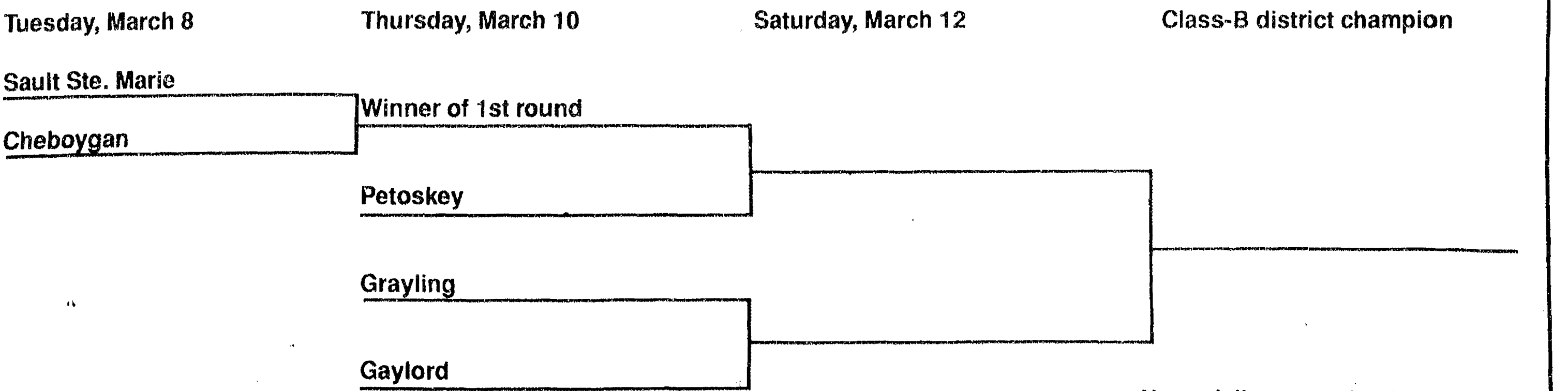
Brian Dunckley - # 13
Dunckley, 16, is a junior. This is his first year on the Viking varsity. He describes this year's team as "teamwork," and said the season highlight is the victory over sixth ranked Boyne City. He attributes his team's success to the fact that, "We don't have to rely on one player. We have several weapons." After graduation, Brian would like to attend medical school at Notre Dame or U-M. He is the son of Chris and Lee Ann Dunckley.

Steve Ryall - # 51
Ryall, 17, is a senior exchange student playing his first year of basketball. Steve describes this year's team as "tough," and said the season highlight was the come from behind victory over Gaylord. He attributes his team's success to the fact that, "We are better hustlers and shooters." Steve will return to his native Denmark after graduation. His exchange father in Grayling is Mike Shearer.

Chris Jones - # 44
Jones, 16, is a junior. This is his first year on the Viking varsity basketball squad. Jones describes this year's team as "togetherness," and said the season highlight is the 16-2 overall team record. He attributes his team's success to the fact that, "We know each other well. It's tough to break us down." After graduation, Chris would like to go into the sports medicine field. Chris is the son of John and Cindy Jones.

Vikings draw bye in first round of districts, GHS to meet Gaylord in second round

Draw sets stage for possible third meeting with Petoskey in championship game

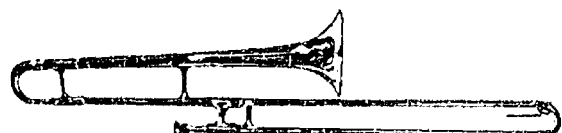


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Viking spirit -- 'Go Green, Go White'

By Terry Wright
Staff Writer

The success of the 1994 Viking varsity basketball team is the product of many people who have dedicated long hours to the cause.

Players, coaches, school administrators, parents, students and spectators all combine their efforts to achieve victories on the court. Without one final and important ingredient, any successes gained for any athletic team would not be complete.

That final ingredient is a spirited cheerleading squad motivating the players, entertaining the spectators and creating a winning atmosphere for basketball.

Grayling High School is fortunate to have that final ingredient. Under the coaching of Tina Hamilton, the varsity cheerleading squad has become an essential part of the basketball program, helping to support the 1994 Great Northern Conference, Huron Division champions.

How important are they to the team? Consider these facts:

After winning two consecutive conference championships, the 1993 Grayling varsity football team finished last in the conference with a 2-8 record. There were no football cheerleaders.

The Viking basketball program has an impressive 16-2 record. The worst defeat of the two losses came in Petoskey on a rescheduled Saturday. The Vikings recorded their lowest point total of the season. That day the varsity cheerleaders were attending a cheering clinic downtown and couldn't be at the game.

The second loss of the basketball season came against the same Petoskey team that had beaten the Vikings by 21-points earlier. That game was settled by only seven points in the



1994 GHS Varsity Cheerleading Squad

final minutes of the contest, and could have easily gone in favor of the Vikings.

Supportive spectators, led by high-spirited cheerleaders motivate ball players to play better, leading to more points, rebounds, assists and the general aggressiveness which fuels the Viking attack.

"Cheerleading is real important to the success of the team," Hamilton said. "After the football season, some of the basketball players asked the girls to try out for cheerleading. They knew how important cheering is."

The 10 girls on the varsity cheerleading squad went through rigorous try-outs. They had to learn a school cheer, and make up a cheer of their own to perform before the judges. They were graded on their personalities, appearance, confidence, smile and gymnastic abilities. Once they were chosen, the real work began.

Performing at two games per week, and practicing on the three off days keeps the girls very busy.

"They also make locker posters for every game, buy token treats for the players to keep their spirits up and hand out written cheers at the games," Hamilton said. "In addition, they try to add one new cheer for every game."

Hamilton said the main objective for the girls is to have fun. She said if they're not having fun, the crowd won't get into the game.

"It's disheartening when the crowd doesn't yell," she added.

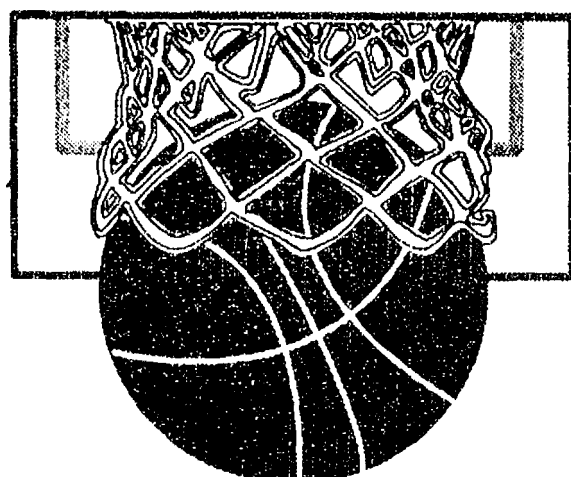
The 1994 Grayling varsity cheerleading squad consists of seniors Lisa Richie, Pam Wilkins, Amy Kelly, Susan Lovely, Christi Salmons and Mandy Mleck, junior Nicki Wilcox, sophomores Lindsay Oliver and Mandy McEvers, and freshman Amy Lachappelle.



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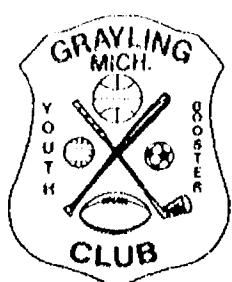
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G.H.S. PEP BAND PERFORMS--Jamie Pratt, sophomore, (front, left), Jennie Evans, senior, (front, right), Angie Floriano, freshman, (back, left), and Mike Knight, freshman, (back, right), performed recently at one of the G.H.S. boys varsity basketball games.



SCHOOL SPIRIT--G.H.S. Pep Band Director Dennis Ormsbee leads the pep band during one of the varsity boys basketball games held at Grayling High School. The band shows their support of the team by performing at most of the boys' home basketball games.

Spirit Club works for GHS basketball team

By Terry Wright
Staff Writer

The Viking basketball squad has enjoyed widespread support this year, but no group or individual has been more supportive than the Spirit Club.

Spirit Club members are easily identifiable at each game. They are the loudest group in the stands, and they are the green-and-white team in the stands.

They are the parents of the team members, and they have banded together to promote their sons and raise school spirit.

Organized by Doug Hinkle, father of junior guard Shane Hinkle, and Mike Croze, father of junior forward Ben Croze, the spirit club has raised more than \$1,800 through the sale of "Hoop, there it is!" sweatshirts and T-shirts, and the pre-season "meet the team" spaghetti dinner.

The money has been used to provide

Viking highlights

On Jan. 11, the Vikings entertained the rival Gaylord Blue Devils in the first of two games between the teams.

The Viking offense was prolific, scoring 80 points while the defense stymied any attempt for the Blue Devils to mount an offensive attack.

When the dust had cleared the Vikings had won the big game by 24 points, 80-56.

On Feb. 8, the Vikes visited the Gaylord gym. The Blue Devils seemed ready for the Vikings as they built a 12 point halftime lead, but in the third quarter the Vikings roared back to turn the 12 point deficit into a 12 point win, 74-62.

food for the varsity, junior varsity and cheerleaders after every game including the opponent teams when they visit Grayling. The Spirit Club also purchased the spotlight used in the pre-game team introduction ceremonies. They are planning pool parties at the end of the season for the Viking players, the Viking cheerleaders and the Viking band.

"Any money left over will go toward deferring the cost of the basketball banquet," Hinkle said. "And we're looking into how we can raise the school and community spirit."

For now, Hinkle said the Spirit Club is limiting its functions to promoting basketball, but could branch out to other sports in the future.

Viking lowlights

On Jan. 18, the Vikings travelled to Petoskey to take on the tough Northmen.

Petoskey controlled the flow of the game from the beginning, building a lead that it would never relinquish.

The Vikings could never find the key to the game and fell to the Northmen by 21 points, 68-47.

On Feb. 11, the Northmen brought their act to Grayling for the rematch.

The game was close as the teams traded the lead back-and-forth many times, but in the final minutes the Northmen pulled out the seven point victory, 67-60.

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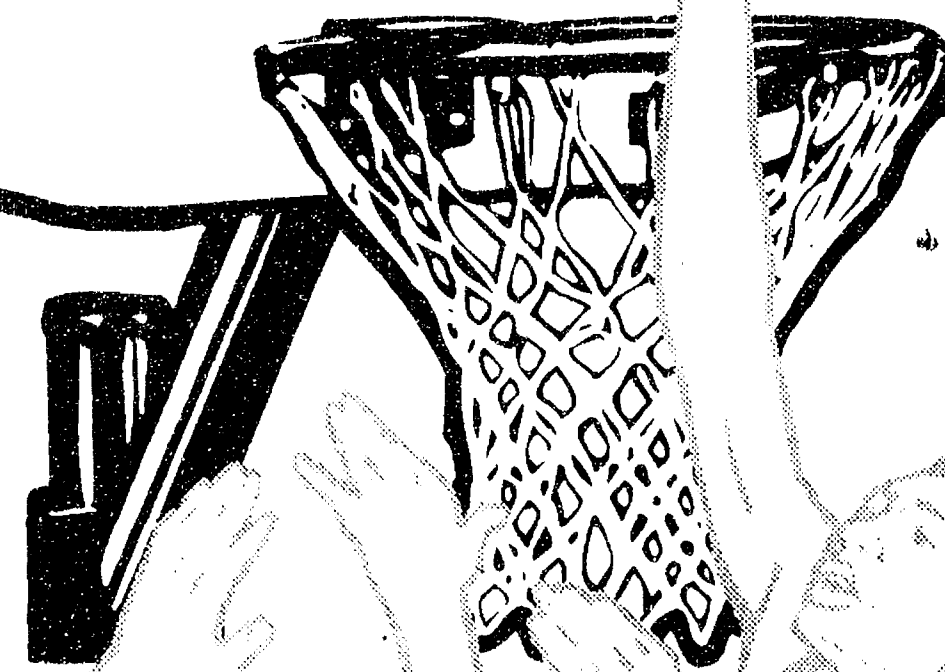
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Vikings go undefeated in conference with two more wins

Only blemishes on Vikes record are losses to Petoskey, but a third shot at Northmen may be coming in district tournament final game.

By Terry Wright
Staff Writer

The Grayling Viking varsity basketball team continued its dominance of Great Northern Conference opponents last week with one-sided wins over Rogers City, 88-41, on Tuesday, and Whittemore-Prezcott, 94-52, on Friday.

The victories marked the last conference play for the Vikings of the season. After two non-conference games this week, the Vikings open district tournament play on Thursday, March 10 in Cheboygan against the Gaylord Blue Devils.

Prior to the Whittemore game, Grayling coach Tom Mills said, "If we

stay out of foul trouble, we should beat them. But, if we're in foul trouble, and the game is close, we could be in trouble."

Mills caution could have been overstated as the Vikings pounded the Cardinals, scoring a season-high point total in the 94-52 victory.

At Whittemore-Prezcott, the game was intense and physical. The Vikings poured on the pressure defense and a balanced scoring attack, and by the middle of the second quarter, the game was theirs. By halftime, the Vikings led the Cardinals by 24 points, 53-29. By the end of the third, the Vikings led 78-45.

In the final stanza, the Vikings point

production dropped to 16 points but their pressure defense allowed only seven Whittemore points. The 94-52 victory marked a clean sweep of Huron Division opponents this year and gave the Vikings a perfect 8-0 conference record.

In conference action the Vikings averaged more than 81-points per game, a 29 point per game advantage over all conference opponents.

A balanced scoring attack against Whittemore was led by senior Kris Andersen with 24 points. Others in double figures were seniors Chris DiPonio with 15, Chris Wolcott with 14 and Jeff Mier with 11. Junior Shane Hinkle scored 12 points.

Defensively, junior forward Ben Croze collected 14 rebounds and blocked eight Whittemore shots. Wolcott added seven steals and seven assists, Andersen had seven steals.

On Tuesday, the Rogers City Hurons visited GHS hoping to improve their

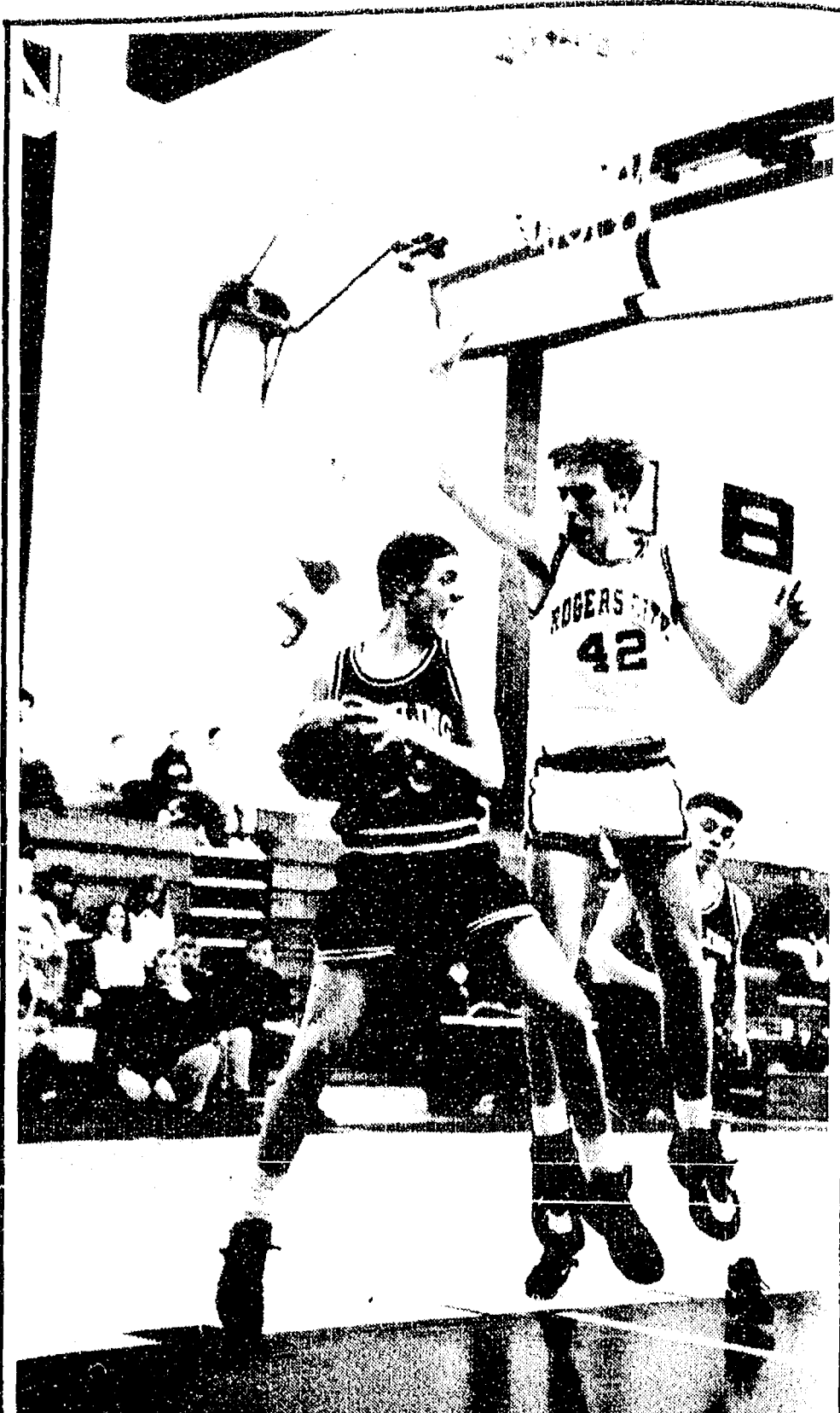
2-4 conference record, but the game belonged to the Vikings from the start. In the first quarter, three different Vikings teamed up to hit five treys, while the Vikings' stingy defense allowed only eight Rogers City points.

The Vikings led by 14 after the first quarter, 22-8, increased the lead to 47-26 at the half, and cruised to the 88-41 victory.

Kris Andersen, the leagues leading scorer, led the Vikings with 30 points, including five treys. Wolcott and Croze each added 14 points, and Hinkle added 12 points.

On Tuesday, March 1, the Vikings entertained the Boyne City Ramblers who had been rated 6th in state Class-C rankings until the Vikings upended them in January, 78-56.

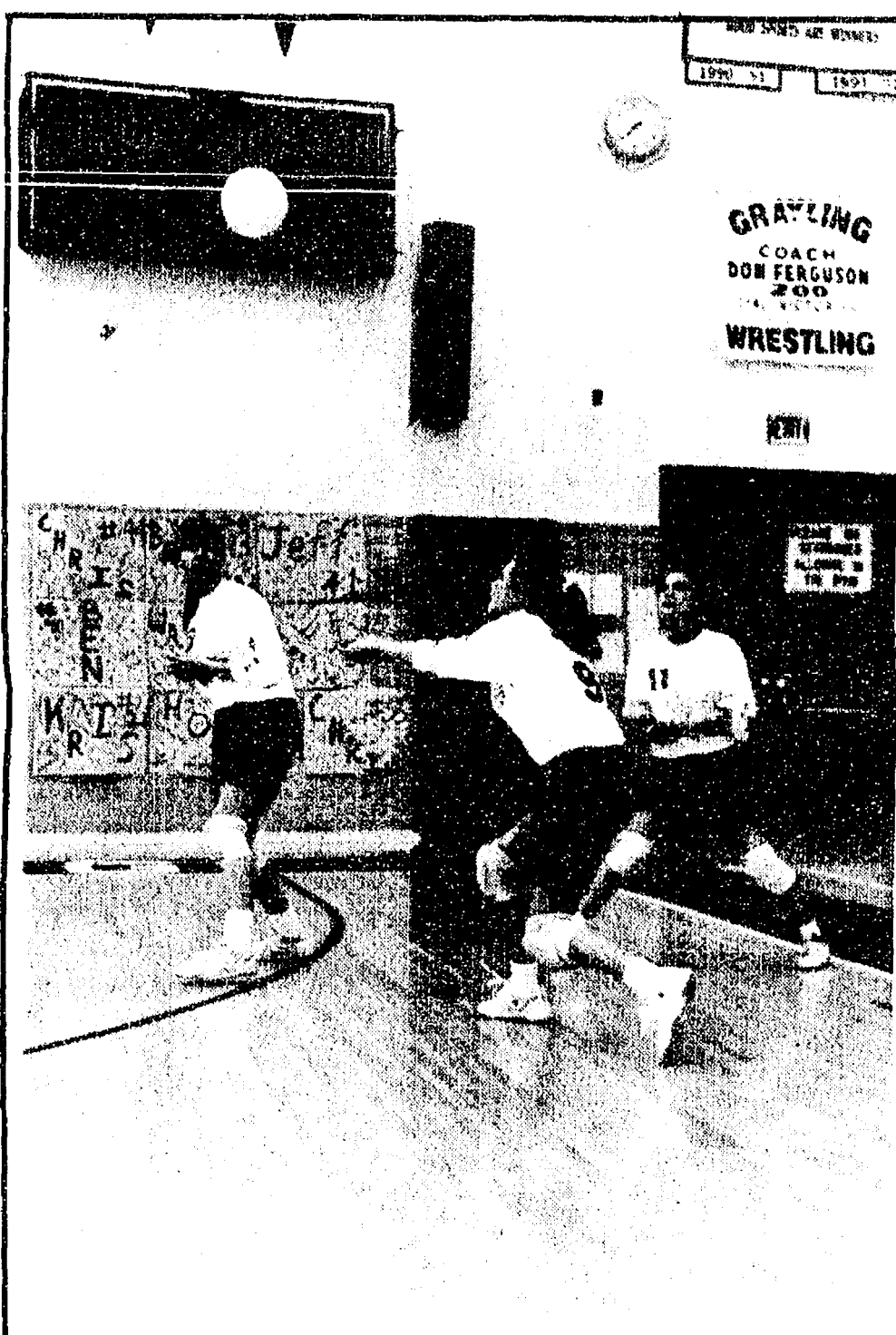
On Friday, the Vikings travel to Elk Rapids to take on a tough Elks team that seriously challenged the Vikings at home in December, before eventually losing by six-points.



CHAMPIONSHIP BASKETBALL ACTION--(above) Chris Wolcott tears off the rebound and looks for the outlet pass, while (below) Shane Hinkle goes in for the easy layup.



GHS netters hang on to third in conference



GHS VOLLEYBALL ACTION--(above) Darcie McCurdy returns the ball while Mandee Mlcek (R) and Brooke Blaauw (L) watch. (Below) Carol Lanczy (R) sets the ball while Jennifer Fassinger (L) looks on. This action took place during a recent Grayling invitational volleyball tournament.



The Grayling varsity volleyball squad added three points onto its 1994 total during a league tournament at GHS on Friday, Feb. 25, placing the Vikings third in the Great Northern Conference, Huron Shores Division.

But the Vikings are far behind conference leaders, totaling only six wins in combined season and tournament play. First-place Whittemore-Prezcott has 18 points, while second-place Rogers City is safely in front of Grayling with 16 wins.

The host Vikings defeated Onaway, 15-9, and Lincoln Alcona, 15-9 and 15-3, in the recent tournament, giving the Grayling squad a one-point advantage over rival Onaway in the league standings.

The Vikings dropped games to Rogers City, 6-15 and 9-15, Whittemore-Prezcott, 0-15 and 3-15, and to Lincoln Alcona, 5-15.

"Whittemore dethroned Rogers City, who had been league champs for 13 years in a row," said GHS Coach Rebecca Brown. "In play Friday night, Grayling saw its best action against Rogers City, with long exciting rallies and aggressive play."

Slide down continues for JV hoopsters

By Terry Wright
Staff Writer

The Viking junior varsity basketball team continued its slide last week, dropping games to Rogers City, 61-58, and Whittemore-Prezcott 72-68.

At Whittemore-Prezcott on Friday, Feb. 25, the junior Vikings started slow and trailed the Cardinals by 11-points at the end of the first quarter. In the second, the Vikings fought back to tie the score at 33-33 by the half.

In the second half, the Cardinals jumped out to the lead and the Vikings were not able to come back until a three-pointer at the buzzer brought them to within three points.

Jason Thompson led the junior Vikings in scoring with 20-points, followed by Scott Hartman with 17, and Corey Northrop with 12.

Hartman and Northrop each pulled down seven rebounds. Thompson had six rebounds.

At home against Rogers City, the junior Vikings started strong, building

GMS wrestlers place in tourney

The Grayling Middle School wrestling team attended the Northeastern Michigan Wrestling Association tournament held in West Branch on Saturday, Feb. 26.

Winning a medal in the nine-and 10-year-old age group at 80 pounds was Victor CdeBaca.

At 75 pounds in the 11-and 12-year-old age group was Josh Niederer placing second, and Chris Jones was second at 95 pounds. Sean Dushane placed first at 100 pounds, Justin Propst second at 119 pounds, Out Medeiros

Jaime Andrus led the Viking attack, with a team-high 28 spikes, to go with 57 passes, 14 serves and four tips for the tourney. Amy Neal also had a strong game at the net, with 19 spikes and 13 tips, while teammate Jennifer Fassinger hit for 89 sets, 19 serves and 14 tips, all team-highs, to go along with 54 passes.

Mandy Mlcek added 62 passes, 17 serves, nine spikes and five tips. Carol Lanczy and Darcie McCurdy also had strong all-round games. Lanczy hit for 57 passes, 12 spikes, nine serves and four tips, while McCurdy recorded 31 passes, eight spikes, seven serves, four tips and four sets for the tournament.

"Everyone contributed defensively, with great hustle led by Mlcek, Lanczy, Andrus and Fassinger, and denying blocks by Neal and Lanczy," Brown added.

Grayling will host district tournament action at the GHS gymnasium on Saturday, March 5, with teams traveling from Kalkaska, Petoskey, Gaylord and Cheboygan to invade the Vikings' home court.

a 26-7 first quarter lead. The Hurons then began chipping away at the lead. At the beginning of the final quarter, the Vikings still led by 13, but a 29-6 final quarter by the Hurons gave the Vikings another defeat.

"The first half of this game was the best half we've put together all year," Coach Butch Hayes said. "But, in the second half, we had some problems."

Joe Godlewski led the Vikings with 26 points. Hartman added 15, and Northrop added 10.

Hartman, Godlewski and Northrop pulled down 10, 7, and six rebounds, respectively.

This week the junior Vikings finish out their year entertaining the Boyne City Ramblers on Tuesday, and the Elk Rapids Elks on Friday.

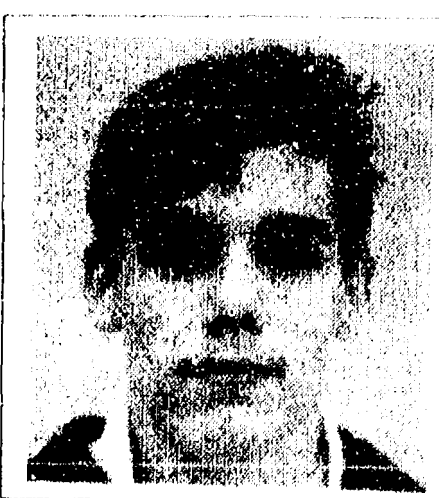


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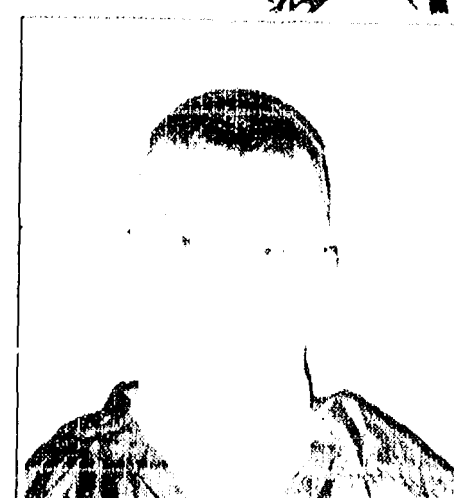
Chris Wolcott

Basketball - This senior was selected for team leadership, and consistent defensive and offensive play against Rogers City and Whittemore-Prezcott.



Jerry Weaver

Wrestling - This senior qualified for the state individual wrestling tournament by his performance in individual regional tournament action.



Brent Kernstock

Wrestling - This senior qualified for the state individual wrestling tournament by his performance in individual regional tournament action.



TROPHY WINNER--Grayling Kmart bowlers bring home the trophy from the MDA Benefit Tournament against Houghton Lake Kmart. The tournament brought in \$1,147 for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. The benefit was held at Northway Lanes in Houghton Lake on Feb. 12. Pictured above is MDA Goodwill Ambassador Tom Stevenson, presenting the trophy to Grayling Kmart representative Janet Hatfield.

Two GHS wrestlers qualify to go to state

By Terry Wright
Staff Writer

Two of coach Don Ferguson's Viking wrestlers qualified for the individual state wrestling meet by placing second and third in the regional individual tournament held in Alma on Saturday, Feb. 26.

Senior Jerry Weaver placed second overall winning two of three matches in the 152 pound weight class. His only loss, in the finals, came against Mark Krueger of Alma, 5-11. He defeated Steve Dunneback, 9-3, of Grand Rapids West Catholic, and Jake Lockerby, 8-6 OT, of Big Rapids.

Senior Brent Kernstock finished the tournament in third place winning three of four matches. Kernstock's only loss in the 171 pound weight class came from the state's number one ranked wrestler in his class, Jeremy Andrus of Sparta, in a pin. He defeated Chad Johnston, 6-1, of Fruitport, Troy Luberd, 6-0, of Standish-Sterling and Rick Ramon, 11-7, of Alma.

Sophomore Dale Kniss, wrestling in his first year at 189 pounds, lost his

first and third matches and was eliminated from the state finals. He defeated Bobby Bills of Ogemaw Heights in a pin. His losses came against Matt Howell, 3-12, of Central Montcalm, and Josh Sowden of Pinconning, in a pin.

Junior Tom Oberg lost both of his matches in the 119 pound weight class and was eliminated from the state finals. Oberg lost to Tim Tompkins of Cedar Springs in a pin, and Dan Spragnuold, 8-5, of Big Rapids.

Weaver and Kernstock will travel to Battle Creek for the state finals on March 11-12. Sixteen wrestlers in each weight class from around the state will vie for honors in Battle Creek. The winners will become state champions.

"Our kids wrestled well. Kniss and Oberg got some good experience that they can use next year," Ferguson said.

"Both Weaver and Kernstock have a chance to become state champions. This has been a great year for the whole team. I'm very proud of all of them."

Viking Action

GMS wrestlers place in tourney

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first in the heavyweight division.

In the 13- and 14-year-old category, David Shepherd placed first at 95 pounds, Danielle Dushane second at 107 pounds, Raymond Pyle third at 107 pounds, Joe Woidan first at 145 pounds, Brian Dietz second at 155 pounds, and Travis Beckett third at 170 pounds.

The next tournament will be on Saturday, March 5 at Whittemore-Prescott.

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K. Cronin & A. Mathews	29.5
M. Austin & R. Scott	26
J. Galloway & R. Galloway	25
H. Jones, C. Jones & D. Bonamie	16

Week #5 Results: Men's High Scratch Score: B. Weaver, 280. Women's High Scratch Score: J. Jones, 261. Youth Girl's High Scratch Score: H. Jones, 101. Youth Boy's High Scratch Score: D. Bonamie, 158.

Week #4 Results: Men's High Scratch Score: B. Weaver, 284. Women's High Scratch Score: J. Jones, 250. Youth Girl's High Scratch Score: H. Jones, 63. Youth Boy's High Scratch Score: C. Jones, 166.

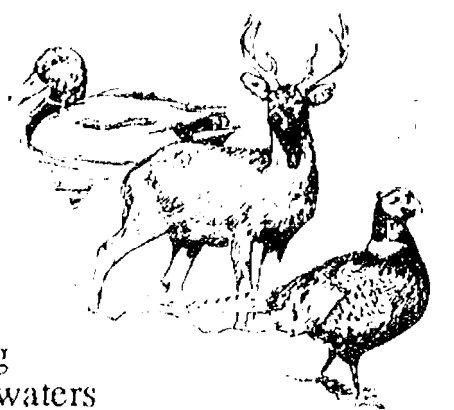
Hunting & Fishing Weekly Update

February thaw . . .

February is over, and March is in like a lamb. The next two weeks or so, until pike and walleye season closes on March 15th, should be some of the year's best ice fishing.

Where they're biting. . .

The walleyes should start getting active and moving into shallow waters to feed in the evenings. Set up on a high side of a steep drop-off and jig with a Swedish Pimple or Winter Rapala. Also, you might set a tip-up with a large shiner on it. Sometimes, this works well in about eight to 12 feet of water. Hart Lake, north of Lovells is producing good catches of smelt and splake.



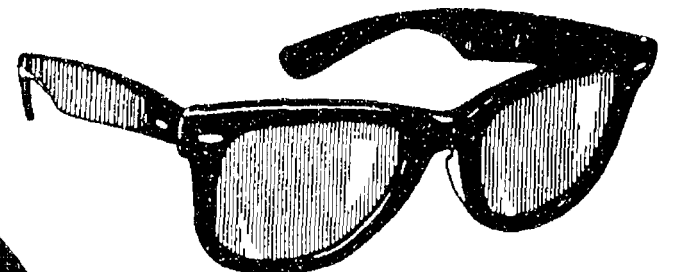
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Viking district tournament predictions

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Shane Hinkle
Chris Jones
Charlie Kucharek
Scott Longendyke
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Steve Ryall
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LEGAL ACTION

Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made July 6, 1990, by Jeffrey A. Webb and Joann D. Webb, as mortgagor(s), to the United States of America, as mortgagee, and recorded on July 6, 1990, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan, in Liber 312 of mortgages on pages 214-217;

On which mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid at the date of this Notice Fifty-two Thousand One Hundred Eighty and 97/100 Dollars (\$52,180.97) principal and

Ten Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-six and 61/100 Dollars (\$10,856.61) interest; no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt or any part of the debt secured by said mortgage, and the power of sale contained in said mortgage having become operative by reason of such default;

NOW, THEREFORE, Notice is Hereby Given that on March 24, 1994, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon at the Front steps (east side) of Courthouse in Grayling, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public sale, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid upon said mortgage, together with the legal costs and charges of sale provided by law and in said mortgage, the lands and premises in said mortgage mentioned and described, as follows, to wit:

Lot 10 and the Northeastly one-half of Lot 11, Block 2, Karen Woods Subdivision according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 44, Crawford County Records, Township of Grayling, County of Crawford and State of Michigan.

The redemption period shall be six months from the foreclosure sale. Property may be redeemed by paying the amount of the bid at the foreclosure sale, plus interest and any unpaid encumbrances on the property. For additional information, contact UNITED STATES OF AMERICA acting through Farmers Home Administration, 377 S. Mt. Tom Rd., Mio, MI, 48647, mortgagee.

Dated: February 9, 1994

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NOTICE SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

The South Branch Township Board of Review will meet at the Township Hall 5245 M-18, Roscommon, on the following dates:

Tuesday, March 8, for an Organizational Meeting at 7 pm.
Monday & Wednesday, March 14th & 16th to meet with taxpayers from 9 am to 12 noon & 1 pm - 4 pm.

CLASS	TENTATIVE RATIO	FACTOR
AGRICULTURAL	50.00	1.00000
COMMERCIAL	50.00	1.00000
INDUSTRIAL	50.00	1.00000
RESIDENTIAL	48.24	1.03648

Mary M. Mollon,
Clerk
-24-3-10

NOTICE BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

The Beaver Creek Township Board of Review will hold an organizational meeting March 8, 1994, at 11 am at the Beaver Creek Township Hall for the purpose of reviewing the 1994 Assessment Roll. The Board of Review will meet with taxpayers Monday, March 14, 1994, and Wednesday, March 16, 1994, 9 am to 12 noon and 1 pm to 4 pm at the Beaver Creek Township Hall.

The following are tentative ratios and factors for all classes of property in Beaver Creek Township.

CLASS	TENTATIVE RATIO	FACTOR
AGRICULTURAL	50.00	1.000
COMMERCIAL	50.00	1.000
RESIDENTIAL	50.00	1.000
PERSONAL	49.71	1.000
INDUSTRIAL	50.00	1.000

Irene Schultes
Township Supervisor
-24-3-10

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

Grayling Township's Board of Review will hold an organizational meeting on Tuesday, March 8, 1994, at 10 am at the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way, Grayling, Michigan 49738.

The Board of Review will re-convene at the same address to meet with taxpayers starting at 9 am Monday, March 14, 1994, until 12 noon and 1 until 4 pm. They will meet again with taxpayers on Thursday, March 17, 1994, during the same hours. Petitioners will be received on a "first-come-first-served basis."

Following are the tentative ratios and factors for all classes of property in Grayling Township:

	RATIO	FACTOR
Agricultural	50.00	1.0000
Commercial	50.00	1.0000
Industrial	49.50	1.0000
Residential	48.60	1.0288
Timber Cut-Over	0	0
Developmental	0	0

Arnold T. Stancil, Supervisor
Monica S. Ashton, Clerk
-17-24-3

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in a condition of the mortgage made September 17, 1992, by the Grayling State Bank, as Mortgagee, to Laurel E. Jensen, as Mortgagor, and recorded on October 2, 1992, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan in Liber 348, Page 486, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid at the date of this Notice Eight Thousand One Hundred Nineteen Dollars and 58/100 (\$8,119.58) in principal; Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) in late fees and Two Hundred Thirty Two Dollars and 23/100 (232.23) in interest; no legal or equitable proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt, or any part of the debt, secured by the Mortgage, and the power of sale in the Mortgage contained having become operative by reason of the default.

Notice is now given that on Wednesday, March 16, 1994, at 10:00 a.m. at the front door of the Courthouse in the City of Grayling, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public sale, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid on the Mortgage, together with the legal costs and charges of sale, including an attorney's fee as provided by law and in the Mortgage, the land and premises mentioned and described in the Mortgage as follows:

Parcel A as described in survey recorded in Liber 112, page 456 of Crawford County Register of Deeds EXCEPT the Southerly 262.8 feet of the following described parcel: North 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 9, Town 26 North, Range 2 West. Except for a private easement for ingress and egress 20 feet in width on the East line to Edward L. Deutsche or his assigns, and except for mineral rights as reserved in a Warranty Deed recorded in Liber 27 of Deeds, Page 271. (This is the southerly 262.8 feet of "Parcel A" of a survey recorded in Liber 112, Page 456), Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan.

The length of the redemption period will be six (6) months from the date of sale.

Dated: February 9, 1994
David R. Sabin, Attorney for
Grayling State Bank
115 Michigan Avenue
Grayling, Michigan 49738
(517) 348-5588

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STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

File No. 93-3107-CI

EDNA M. HANSON, JAMES N. HANSON, NEIL W. HANSON and DOUGLAS R. HANSON, Plaintiffs,

JAMES M. MILLER and JOAN MILLER, his wife, CATHY DOUGLAS, SUSAN KEAN and DIANE HENNESSEY, Defendants.

JOHN B. HUSS P15297

Attorney for Plaintiffs

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NOTICE OF SALE

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain Land Contract made, executed and delivered by Defendants, JAMES M. MILLER & JOAN MILLER, husband and wife, to Plaintiff EDNA HANSON, dated June 8, 1990, and a JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE having been entered in the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, on the 15th day of February, 1993, Ordering that there is due to the Plaintiff, FIFTEEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY AND 07/100 (15,740.07) DOLLARS plus interest on the principal balance due at the rate of TEN PERCENT (10%) per annum from the 8th day of May, 1993, to (date of Judgment) February 15, 1994, and Statutory Judgment interest from the 15th day of February, 1994 to date of sale, together with costs, expenses of sale and any taxes or insurance paid by Plaintiff.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the terms of said JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, NOTICE is hereby given that on the 15th day of April, 1994, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, said JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE will be enforced by a sale at public auction to the highest bidder at the front door of the Crawford County Courthouse in the City of Grayling, Michigan, that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held, of the premises described in said JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due on said JUDGMENT with interest, legal costs, expenses and charges including attorney fees allowed by law and also any sums which may be paid by the Plaintiffs, EDNA M. HANSON, JAMES N. HANSON, NEIL W. HANSON and DOUGLAS R. HANSON, to protect their interest in the premises, which said premises are described as follows:

Commencing at the Northeast corner of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 12, Town 28 North, Range 2 West, thence South 1 degree 09 minutes 30 seconds East 425.8 feet along 1/8 line to the Point of Beginning; thence South 1 degree 09 minutes 30 seconds East 100 feet on said line, thence South 78 degrees 48 minutes 40 seconds West 931.18 feet to the East Bank of the North Branch of

the AuSable River, thence North 5 degrees 15 minutes 10 seconds West 223 feet along said East Bank, thence North 86 degrees 23 minutes 33 seconds East 937.61 feet to the Point of Beginning. Being a part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 12, Town 28 North, Range 2 West, Lovells Township, Crawford County, Michigan.

The period of redemption expires six (6) months from the date of sale.

DATED: February 23, 1994

JOHN B. HUSS, Attorney for Plaintiffs

EDNA M. HANSON, et al

P.O. Box 948

Grayling, MI 49738

517/348-5431

-3-10-17-24-31-7

SYNOPSIS Crawford County Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting February 9, 1994

Meeting of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners was called to order on 2-9-94 at 9:40 a.m. in the County Building, Grayling, MI. Commissioners present: Long, Goodale, McLachlan, Smock, and Mattis. Coy, excused. County Clerk Elizabeth Wieland, present. There were 13 visitors present at various times.

IN FORMAL ACTION, COMMISSIONERS:

—Accepted the 1-26-94 Meeting Minutes with a minor correction.

—Accepted the Committee's recommendation and appointed B. J. Fowler as Chairman of the Special Committee—Landfill.

—Approved the following General Fund Vouchers in the amount of \$66,705.43, GET GEM Fund Vouchers in the amount of \$338.61, Fish Hatchery Fund Vouchers in the amount of \$54.63 and Commissioner's Per Diem as follows: Long, \$64; Goodale, \$64; McLachlan, \$64; and Smock, \$64.

—Accepted 14 pieces of communications.

—Advised for bids on two M-37 military vehicles and reserving the right to reject any and all bids.

—Adopted a resolution that requires the County to solicit for sealed bids for all contracts totaling \$20,000 or more.

—Approved the request of Probate Court to purchase a locked cabinet/storage in the amount of \$500. This amount to be reimbursed by the MI Dept. of Social Services.

—Authorized the Building Authority to set the parameters necessary for the bidding procedure on the jail expansion with the assistance of legal council.

—Notified the DNR that the County is pursuing the creation of a County Solid Waste Planning Committee and not to assume that NEMCOG is our clearing agency at this time.

—Are negotiating with MI State University to pursue the feasibility of committing the necessary funding to assist the County in the development of some type of administrative agent.

—Authorized the purchase of ten Advisor Alphanumeric Pagers from RAM/B.S.E. Paging Company L.P. at a cost of \$10.95 per month per unit through FEMA and the Sheriff Dept. budgets.

—Scheduled Ways & Means Committee Meetings at 8 a.m. on the same day as the full Board considers Claims, Vouchers and Per Diem.

—Authorized Ways and Means Committee Chairman to schedule a meeting with the Chairman of the Board, Probate Judge and Juvenile Agent to review the status of grants offered by the County.

—Accepted the modified Crawford County Professional Staff Position for the Emergency Management and Central Dispatch. Time will be 50% for FEMA and 50% for Emergency Mgmt.

—Requested a budget amendment for Grant #MSC 931829 transferring the engineering funds to the County and increasing the jail equipment item by the same amount under the CDBG portion keeping within the \$1.7 million for the jail project.

—Executed the Request for Release of Funds and Certification of Environmental Review Procedures on Grant #MSC 931829 pursuant to the requirements of the grant.

—Adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Full text of official minutes are on file in the Clerk's office.
Elizabeth H. Wieland-County Clerk

Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made January 21, 1992, by

Joseph A. VanNuck and Kimberly S. VanNuck, as mortgagor(s), to the United States of America, as mortgagee, and recorded on January 21, 1992, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan, in Liber 342 of mortgages on pages 258-261;

On which mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid at the date of this Notice Fifty-three Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-two and 44/100 Dollars (\$53,432.44) principal and Six Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-six and 86/100 Dollars (\$6,296.86) interest;

no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt or any part of the debt secured by said mortgage, and the power of sale contained in said mortgage having become operative by reason of such default;

NOW, THEREFORE, Notice is Hereby Given that on March 24, 1994, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon at the Front steps (east side) of Courthouse in Grayling, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public sale, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid upon said mortgage, together with the legal costs and charges of sale provided by law and in said mortgage, the lands and premises in said mortgage mentioned and described, as follows, to wit:

Land located in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan. Lot 54, Clough's Highland Acres, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 65, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period will be six months from the foreclosure sale. Property may be redeemed by paying the amount of the bid at the foreclosure sale, plus interest and any unpaid encumbrances on the property. For additional information, contact UNITED STATES OF AMERICA acting through Farmers Home Administration, 377 S. Mt. Tom Rd., Mio, MI, 48647, mortgagee.

Dated: February 9, 1994

-10-17-24-3

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in a condition of the Mortgage made December 22, 1987, by the Grayling State Bank, as Mortgagee, to Daniel A. Peterson and Denise C. Peterson, his wife, as Mortgagor, and recorded on December 28, 1987 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan, in Liber 271, Pages 406-409, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid at the date of this Notice Forty Four Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Seven Dollars and 46/100 (\$44,897.46) in principal and Eighteen Dollars (\$18.08) in late fees; no legal or equitable proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt, or any part of the debt, secured by the Mortgage, and the power of sale in the Mortgage contained having become operative by reason of the default.

Notice is now given that on Wednesday, March 9, 1994 at 10:00 a.m. at the front door of the Courthouse in the City of Grayling, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public sale, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid on the Mortgage, together with the legal costs and charges of sale, including an attorney's fee as provided by law and in the Mortgage, the land and premises mentioned and described in the Mortgage as follows:

Lot 9 and the West 1/2 of Lot 10, Block 6, Karen Woods Subdivision, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 44, Crawford County Records, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan.

The length of the redemption period will be six (6) months from the date of sale.

Dated: February 7, 1994

David R. Sabin, Attorney for
Grayling State Bank
115 Michigan Avenue
Grayling, Michigan 49738
(517) 348-5588
-10-17-24-3

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF HEARING

File No. 94-005172-NC

In the matter of ASHLEY MEGAN HARTIG, 493-90-7197.

NOTICE: A hearing will be held on Wednesday, March 16, 1994, at 2:45 p.m. in the probate courtroom, Grayling, Michigan, before Judge John G. Hunter on the petition to change Ashley Megan Hartig's name to Ashley Megan Beemer.

2-9-94

SUSAN E. URICEK

P.O. Box 27

Grayling, MI 49738

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RANGE FIRING

Range firing will be conducted at Camp Grayling in the following areas:

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd). Firing will be from March 2 through March 5, and March 8 through March 9.

DISTRICT COURT

Frederick Cords, 25, of Bellaire, pled guilty to a charge of Attempt NSF Under \$50, and was fined \$105 or 10 days. He was cited Oct. 28, 1992, by the City Police Dept.

Melanie Elyen Fanti, 23, of Grayling, demanded a preliminary exam to a charge of Delivery of Marijuana 2nd Offense. A \$20,000 cash or surety bond was set.

Marijuana. A \$5,000 cash or surety bond was set.

Jeffrey Paul McCullough, 29, of Grayling, demanded a preliminary exam to a charge of Delivery of Marijuana 2nd Offense. A \$20,000 cash or surety bond was set.

NOTICE CITY OF GRAYLING BOARD OF REVIEW

The City of Grayling Board of Review will meet with taxpayers on the following dates: Monday, March 14th, 9 am - 12 noon and 1 pm to 5 pm, and Saturday, March 19th, 9 am to 12 noon.

CLASS	TENTATIVE RATIO	FACTOR
RESIDENTIAL	50.00	1.0000
COMMERCIAL	50.00	1.0000
INDUSTRIAL	50.00	1.0000
PERSONAL	50.00	1.0000

Larry D. Hunter
City Assessor
-17-24-3

NOTICE LOVELLS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

The Lovells Township Board of Review will hold an organizational meeting on Tuesday, March 8, 1994, from 9 am to 12 noon.

The board will meet with taxpayers on Monday, March 14, and Tuesday, March 15, 1994, from 9 am to 12 noon and 1 pm to 4 pm at the Lovells Township Hall.

The following are the tentative ratios and factors for all classes of property in Lovells Township.

CLASS	RATIO	FACTOR
AGRICULTURAL	50.00	1.0000
COMMERCIAL	50.00	1.0000
RESIDENTIAL	46.62	1.0725
PERSONAL	49.99	1.0000

Frederick Schalby
Lovells Township Supervisor
-24-3

NOTICE FREDERIC TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

The Frederic Township Board of Review will meet at the Township Hall, 7564 Kelly Ave., County Rd. 612 W., Frederic, on the following dates and times:

Tuesday, March 8, 1994, for an Organizational Meeting at 9 am, Monday and Saturday, March 14 and 19 to meet with taxpayers from 9 am to 12 noon and 1 pm to 5 pm.

CLASS	RATIO	FACTOR
AGRICULTURAL	50.00	1.0000
COMMERCIAL	50.00	1.0000
INDUSTRIAL	50.00	1.0000
RESIDENTIAL	48.29	1.0000
PERSONAL	49.50	1.0000

-24-3-10



BRONZE MEDAL WINNER--Gary Daniels strides towards a bronze medal in nordic skiing during the Special Olympics on Feb. 8-12.

G. R. A. STANDINGS

GSB-GRA Ski Race Clinic		4th	Eric Hunter
Pre-school & Kindergarten		5th & 6th Grade Boys	
1st	Jill Seager	1st	Luke Ames
2nd	1st & 2nd Grade Girls	2nd	Ryan Stahl
3rd	Erica Fenn	3rd	Matt Ginther
1st & 2nd Grade Boys		7th & 8th Grade Girls	
1st	Matthew Seager	1st	Kim Hartman
2nd	Troy Eberhart	2nd	Katie Olson
3rd	3rd & 4th Grade Girls	3rd	Brooke Ginther
1st	Joni Ames	7th & 8th Grade Boys	
2nd	Jenna Bugyi	1st	Rob Hill
3rd	3rd & 4th Grade Boys	2nd	Eric Thompson
1st	Justin Fenn	3rd	Josh Mueller
2nd	Eric Hart	4th	Scott Bowers
3rd	Justin Hanes	5th	Collin Hunter

MEN'S BASKETBALL LEAGUES

Men's Basketball League Final League Standings

Spikes	7-1
GEO Signs-Swamp II	6-2
Holiday Inn	4-4
Weyerhaeuser	2-6
Dawn Donuts	1-7

Game #1. Dawn Donuts, 48: Pummel, 14, Wolcott, 12, Parkinson, 9, M. Lange, Ruddy 4, J. Lange, Thompsons, 2, Wheeler, 1. Weyerhaeuser, 36: Contreras, 11, Grant, 9, Roman, 7, McEvers, 6, Rosenthal, 3.

Game #2. GEO Signs/Swamp II, 79: Junttila, 27, Tobin, 18, White, 17, Leask, 9, Beckwith, Cragg, 4, Spike's, 69: Kalahar, 31, Patterson, 14, Hull, 8, Krey, 6, Thompson, 5, Kolka, 3, Potter, 2.

Top Ten Scorers: Kalahar, 21.6, Patterson, 17.4, Junttila, 15.5, Millikin, 14.8, White, 14.5, Trenary, 14.0, Ruddy, 13.0, Hamlin, 10.7, Tobin, 10.3, Pollen, 10.0.

Three-point leaders: Patterson, 31, Kalahar, 20, Junttila, 17, Pollen, 13,

Wolcott, 9, Hull, 8.
Free throw %: Hartman, Prosser, 100%, Wolcott, 90%, Trenary, 77%, Kalahar, 76%, D. Bonamie, McEvers, 75%, Dean, 73%, Parkinson, 69%, Junttila, 68%.
Leading Hackers: Hull, 35, Krey, 29, Junttila, White, 24, Thompsons, 22, McEvers, 20, Beckwith, Hamlin, R. Harland, Millikin, Smith, 18.
Team air: Dawn Donuts, 90, Holiday Inn, 63, Spikes, 60, GEO Signs-Swamp II, 59, Weyerhaeuser, 53.

AuSable Church Basketball League Standings

St. Francis Episcopal	5-0
St. Mary's Roman Catholic	3-2
Grayling Free Methodist	3-2
Michelson Methodist	2-3
St. Michael's Roman Catholic	2-3
Grayling/Heritage Baptist	0-5

Week #5, 2/21/94: St. Michael's Roman Catholic, 75, Grayling/Heritage Baptist, 35; St. Francis Episcopal, 51, Michelson Methodist, 31; Free Methodist, 41, St. Mary's Roman Catholic, 36.

DART LEAGUE

Dart League Standings

Sackrider Well Drilling	43-11
Quick Points	39-15
M & M's	27-27
Jim's Angles	23-31
Dart Demons	21-33
Hot Shots	9-45

Rich's Cycle Service 12
Goodale's Bakery 9
Graceful Grammas 8
High Game: P. D'Amour, 189, L. Dannenberg, 180, L. Jensen, W. Jackson, 169.
High Series: P. D'Amour, 499, L. Jensen, 469, M. Miller, 473.

Thursday Morning Coffee League

Spikes 26
Lone Pine 21.5
Legion Lanes 18.5
AuSable Construction 18
Pittcrew 17.5
Ole Dam 17.5
Glen's Market 13
Candoit Services 12
High Game: E. Helsel, 175, C. Weaver, 167, F. Frisbie, 165. High Series: E. Helsel, 467, C. Weaver, 450, B. Walker, 442.

Pioneer League

Avalanche 21.5-14.5
Eagles Auxiliary 21-15
Aunt Betty's 21-15
Custom Interior 20-16
Millikins 18.5-17.5
Chemical Bank 18-18
CCTA 14-22
Mercy Hospital 10-26
High Game: J. Hinds, 199, P. Kucharek, 197, J. Cousins, 187. High Series: J. Hinds, 520, N. Glasslee, 483, L. Golinick, 472.

Sunday Nite Mixed Doubles
Computer Services Co. 22-14
Odd Balls 22-14
All Seasons Drywall 19.5-16.5
Sutiles 18.5-17.5
R & R Auto Sales 16-20
Robideau Const. #1 16-20
Robideau Const. #2 15-21
Mac's Drugs 15-21
Men's High Game: T. Rondeau, 211, W. Fedewa, 197, S. Miller, 190. Men's High Series: S. Miller, 531, T. Rondeau, 524, W. Fancher, 515.
Women's High Game: C. Rakoczy, 188, N. Glasslee, 182, N. Cinciala, 172. Women's High Series: N. Glasslee, 497, N. Cinciala, 487, M. Miller, 467.

Senior Citizens Bowling League
Buccilli's Pizza 56-40
Weaver's Gifts 50.5-45.5
Century 21 50.5-45.5
Cornell's Realty 49-47
Totten's Body Shop 49-47
Sylvester's Sports 48-48
Larry & Joan's Place 43-53
Flowers by Josie 38-58
Men's High Game: O. Brantley, 246, R. Dandy, 197, G. Wolfe, 194. Men's High Series: O. Brantley, 561, G. Wolfe, 542, R. Dandy, 501.
Women's High Game: D. Hall, 170, B. Barrett, 156, D. Mead, 155. Women's High Series: D. Hall, 478, B. Barrett, 450, D. Mead, 450.

POOL LEAGUE

Women's Pool League February 21
Plaza 143
Red Barn 106
Spikes 99
Legion 96
Swamp II 84

Men's Pool League February 21
Swamp II 182-88
Frederic Inn 151-137
Weyerhaeuser 150-120
Red Barn 137-133
Plaza 137-151
Spikes 111-159
Holiday Inn 86-166

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NOTICE BEAR LAKE TOWNSHIP

The March Board of Review will be held March 14 and March 15 from 9 am to 12 noon and 1 pm to 4 pm at the BEAR LAKE COMMUNITY CENTER, M-72 and E. Bear Lake Rd.

Protests by mail must be received by Monday, March 14, 1994.

Carol Rosenberg, Clerk
616-258-4359
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LEGAL ACTION

SYNOPSIS Frederic Township Regular Meeting February 8, 1994

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Hulbert, Bindschattel, McLeod, Sajdak and Hamner. Three citizens were present.

Hamner made motion, seconded by Sajdak to approve minutes of previous meeting as read. All ayes, motion carried. Sajdak made motion, seconded by Hamner to accept Treasurer's report as read and approve payment of vouchers #11600-11656 in the amount of \$27,958.08. All ayes, motion carried.

CITIZENS WISHING TO SPEAK:

Acting Manager of Crawford County Road Commission, Robert Nelson, reported on improvements in the future.
Letter of resignation received from Merna

Newberry, as president of Library Advisory Board.

Motion made, seconded and carried to nominate Thomas Dawson as member on Board of Review, replacing Douglas Hamner.

Check from another citizen for reward was received for the apprehension of the men involved in the attempted abductions.

Several pieces of correspondence were discussed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ambulance billings were discussed. Forum meeting to be held sometime in March.

NEW BUSINESS:

Rabbit Club use of Township Hall. Letter to be sent to them.

Motion made, seconded and carried to give the Administrative Assistant a raise of 25¢ per hour, effective March 1, 1994.

Motion made, seconded to adjourn. Adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Nancy L. Bindschattel
Township Clerk

K of C Fish Fry & Wing Ding Dinner

PUBLIC FIRST FRIDAY OF MONTH BAKED or FRIED FISH INVITED	
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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Public Accuracy Test for the March 15, 1994, Special Election for all precincts has been scheduled for Wednesday, March 9, 1994, at 3 pm in the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 West Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan.

The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to determine that the programs and the precinct counters being used to tabulate the results of the election count the votes in the manner prescribed by law.

Elizabeth H. Wieland
Crawford County Clerk
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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners has scheduled a Public Meeting for Friday, March 4, 1994, at 7 pm to give Members of a Special Committee appointed to negotiate concessions on behalf of the County of Crawford with City Environmental Services of Waters an opportunity to respond to any questions from concerned citizens on their findings, report and/or recommendation to the Board of Commissioners relative to the landfill. The Public Meeting will be held in the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan.

Elizabeth H. Wieland
County Clerk, Reg. of Deeds
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1. Real Estate

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1. Real Estate

AUSALE MAINSTREAM AREA Two bedrooms, winterized, 12 ft. x 60 ft. Secluded acreage near the Holy Water, below Stephan Bridge. \$24,500. Hal, broker, 348-5965. 8/12/93tf/1

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WANTED: RIVER PROPERTY Homes-cabins-acreage. If you know of someone who wants to sell-buy-please call Hal, broker, 348-5965. 4/22/93tf/1

NICE LITTLE HOME Two bedrooms, insulated. Access to North Branch AuSable River. Paved county road, near Lovells. \$15,500. terms. Hal, broker, 348-5965. 3/3/94tf/1

1. Real Estate

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LAKE MARGARETHE 1,800 sq. ft. home on 75 ft. lake frontage. Three bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, full basement. (517) 348-4998 evenings. LR3/31/94/1

AUSALE MAINSTREAM/F-97 McMaster's Bridge. Over 400 ft. river frontage. Three bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths. Hal, broker, 348-5965. 3/3/94tf/1

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1. Real Estate

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NEW HOME Three bedroom, two bath ranch. Full fireplace, door wall, sky lights, deluxe refrigerator, stove, dishwasher, disposal, carpeting, cathedral ceilings, 2 x 6 exterior walls, 1,200 square feet. Jones Lake Road area. \$58,500. Owner, 348-2249. 1/6/94tf/1

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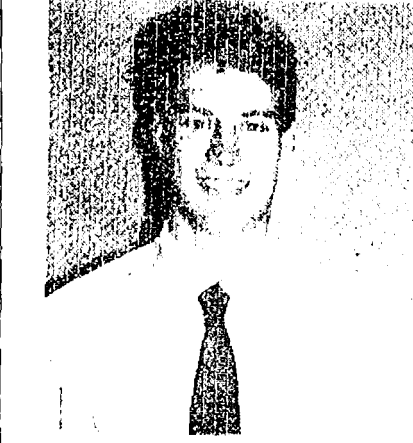
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Jayson is a native of Grayling. He attended Crawford AuSable schools, was active in sports and graduated in 1988. He attended Ferris State University and graduated from Ferris in 1992 with a B.S. Degree in Business/Marketing. Jayson is a member of the MCRA (Michigan Canoe Racing Association) and was recently accepted into the Water Wonderland Board, the Michigan Association and National Association of Realtors.

His love for the outdoors and north country has been the driving force in wanting to live and work in his native town.

Jayson is pleased to be a part of the Cornell Realty team and looks forward to working with the people in this community, as well as the many visitors that come here.



LAKE MARGARETHE - Just a step out the front door, three bedrooms, fireplace, two car attached garage with guest quarters above, wood shed, and much more. Reduced to \$50,500. (NN-572)




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JUST OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS - Three bedroom, wood frame home, breezeway, two car garage, beautiful tree cover. Reduced to \$40,000. (NN-561)



4 1/2 ACRES - Old 27 North, 1,510 square feet, four bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, built-ins, large rooms, two car garage with automatic door opener. \$38,900. (MC 433)



3.2 ACRES - AuSable River access, vinyl sided, two bedroom home, two car attached garage with workshop. \$34,675. (NN-583)



MAINTENANCE FREE - 1,456 square foot home, two baths, lunch counter, pantry, two car garage with paved drive. \$49,900. (NN-474)

Other Area Properties & Acreage

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3. Employment

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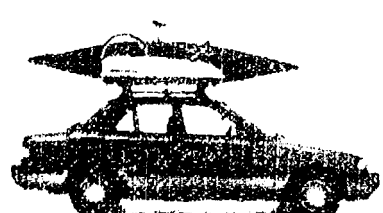
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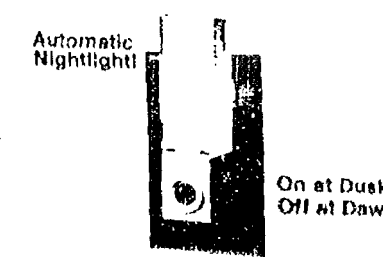
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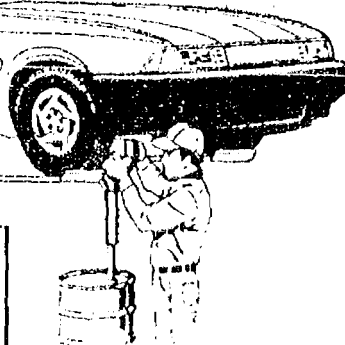
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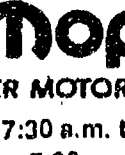


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Consumers Power seeks expansion of gas pipeline

Consumers Power Company and their CMS Energy Corporation non-utility natural gas pipeline unit, CMS Gas Transmission Co., announced they have asked the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) for approval to construct \$50 million of new gas pipeline facilities in the northwestern portion of the Lower Peninsula to improve market accessibility of Michigan Antrim gas.

Consumers Power has requested authorization to expand its natural gas transmission system up to 51 miles from the northern end of its system near Goose Creek in Crawford County, to its Muskegon River gas compressor station in Clare County. The \$33-million proposal would allow for increased capacity to accommodate growing development of Michigan Antrim gas formation.

CMS Gas Transmission has proposed to construct a 25-mile pipeline extending its existing Antrim gas gathering system from Chester Township in Osego County, to an interconnection with Consumers Power gas facilities at Goose Creek. The \$17-million pipeline would transport natural gas to a proposed carbon dioxide removal plant before the natural gas is delivered to the Consumers Power transmission system.

The carbon dioxide removal facility would have an expanded capacity of approximately 280 million cubic feet per day to meet the growing gas treatment needs of Antrim gas producers. Carbon dioxide, which occurs naturally in Michigan Antrim gas, must be removed before the gas is marketed in order to meet pipeline quality specifications.

"These expansions offer the most efficient and cost-effective use of gas transmission facilities to provide the additional pipeline capacity needed to serve Michigan's growing Antrim production," said Michael G. Morris, Consumer Powers Company chief operating officer.

"The new gas supplies freed up by these facilities will provide a cost-effective alternative to importing gas into Michigan for gas utilities, including Consumers Power, and for large commercial and industrial natural gas users who buy their own gas. These proposals also offer a route to allow Michigan Antrim gas producers to access other Midwest markets," Morris said.

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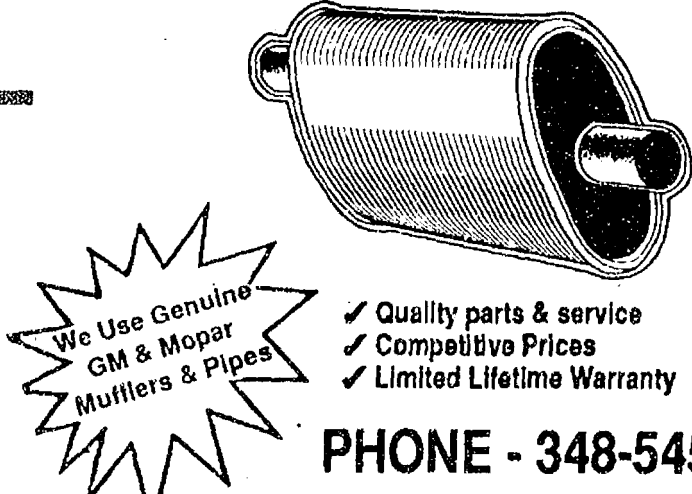


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HEALTHLINE

Linda DeMarchis, M.A., Health Educator

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Question: I read recently about someone dying from carbon monoxide poisoning. How is this possible when the victim wasn't in a car?

Answer: Carbon monoxide poisoning is far too common an occurrence. Every year approximately 10,000 people need some type of medical attention because of exposure to this deadly gas. Of these victims, 1,500 die from carbon monoxide poisoning. Many of them were never aware of the extreme danger associated with carbon monoxide.

Carbon monoxide is an odorless, colorless, and tasteless gas. When it is present in an enclosed area, those exposed to it may develop headaches or feel nauseous, sleepy, or dizzy. If the length of exposure time continues, symptoms worsen and may include vomiting or fluttering of the heart. If carbon monoxide levels are high enough over an extended period of time, the victim may lose consciousness

or even die.

What causes carbon monoxide poisoning? Any fuel-burning equipment may be a source of carbon monoxide including fuel burning furnaces which are not regularly serviced or cared for properly. Small barbecue grills, space heaters, gas dryers, hot water heaters, and fireplaces may also be a danger when used improperly. In cold weather, when doors and windows are shut, the risk of carbon monoxide poisoning is greater. Follow these simple rules to reduce your risk.

• If your home is new and airtight, keep windows slightly open.

• Have your fuel-burning appliances checked before the heating season begins.

• Make sure the fireplace chimney isn't blocked by leaves, bird nests, or soot.

• Never run engines in a closed garage.

• Avoid sitting in a running car for any length of time. Have your car's exhaust system checked periodically.

• Never burn charcoal inside the house either in a grill, barbecue, or fireplace.

• Don't use your gas range to heat a room.

Call the environmental health division of the health department if you would like more information about carbon monoxide poisoning.



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CAKE CUTTING CEREMONY—At the Winter Fest '94 Kick Off Dinner, Grayling Young Woman of the Year '93, Julie Hinderleider (center), gets assistance during the cake cutting ceremony from Donna Masker (left), president of the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce and David Sabin (right), president of the Grayling Area Visitors' Council, whose respective organizations co-sponsored the first annual "Grayling Winter Wolf Challenge Triathlon."

Chamber sets dates for EXPO '94

The Business Advisory Committee of the chamber has been meeting to plan the April 22-23, business EXPO. The theme for this year's event, set in the spring, is "Business is Blooming — A unique business building exposition and chamber showcase." The committee is expecting at least 100 exhibitors to display their products and services at this year's event. Cost of the booth space is being kept to a minimum to allow more businesses to participate. Within the next week the committee will be sending the official mailing highlighting this year's special features.

Some events being planned are a "Networking Reception" on Friday evening for exhibitors and chamber members, and a full day on Saturday of "Good Morning Grayling" coffee and donuts, a "Spring Fashion Show" and "A Taste of Grayling" featuring Grayling's fine eateries.

Anyone interested in assisting with this year's EXPO should plan on attending the next planning meeting on Thursday, March 3, at 6 p.m. at Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel or call the chamber for details.



STATE TRIBUTE—Chamber President Donna Masker, (left) and Chamber Director Deborah Allen (right), present a State Tribute, on behalf of Representative Allen Lowe, to Col. Wayne Koppa (right, center) and his wife, Marcia (left, center), for dedicated service to his country and the State of Michigan.

GAVC FEATURES:

1994 Visitors' Guide being planned

The Grayling Area Visitors' Council is again working together to publish a high-quality, year-round publication that is handed out to visitors to the area. The Visitors' Council will be reviewing the proposal from the Avalanche at their March board meeting. If all goes well the 1994 guides will be available to the public in mid-April.

March Calendar of Events

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| 1st | GAVC at MUCC Trade Show in Novi. \$ |
| 2nd | Grayling Area Visitors' Council Board Meeting at Holiday Inn Grayling, 8 a.m. |
| 3rd | Chamber Business Advisory Committee Meeting at Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel, 6 p.m. |
| 4th | Chamber Education Committee J. A. Training at Grayling Middle School, 1 p.m. |
| 8th | Chamber Education Committee Meeting at Mercy Hospital, 5 p.m. |
| 9th | AuSable River Festival Committee Meeting at Iron Gate Restaurant, 8:30 a.m. |
| 11th | Crawford County Industrial Development Committee Meeting at City Council Chambers, 8 a.m. |
| 11th | Chamber Legislative Committee Meeting at Iron Gate Restaurant, 12 noon. |
| 14th | Chamber Executive Committee Meeting at Old Kent Bank, 4 p.m. |
| 16th | Chamber Board of Directors Meeting at Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel, 8 a.m. |
| 24th | Business "After Hours" at Patti's Towne House Sponsored by Glen's Market from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. \$ |
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Michigan Jobs Team addresses economic and workforce development issues

The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce will be hosting an "Eggs/Lunch & Issues" program with representatives of the Michigan Jobs Team on June 2, to address several recent developments at the state level that are of great concern to local communities. Such topics to be discussed are: recent studies that compare Michigan's business climate to other states; updates on the state's largest business retention visitation program in history; unveiling of the Business Climate Action Agenda; and strategies on improving job expansion.

More information on attending this informative Eggs & Issues program will follow, so watch the Avalanche for details.



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